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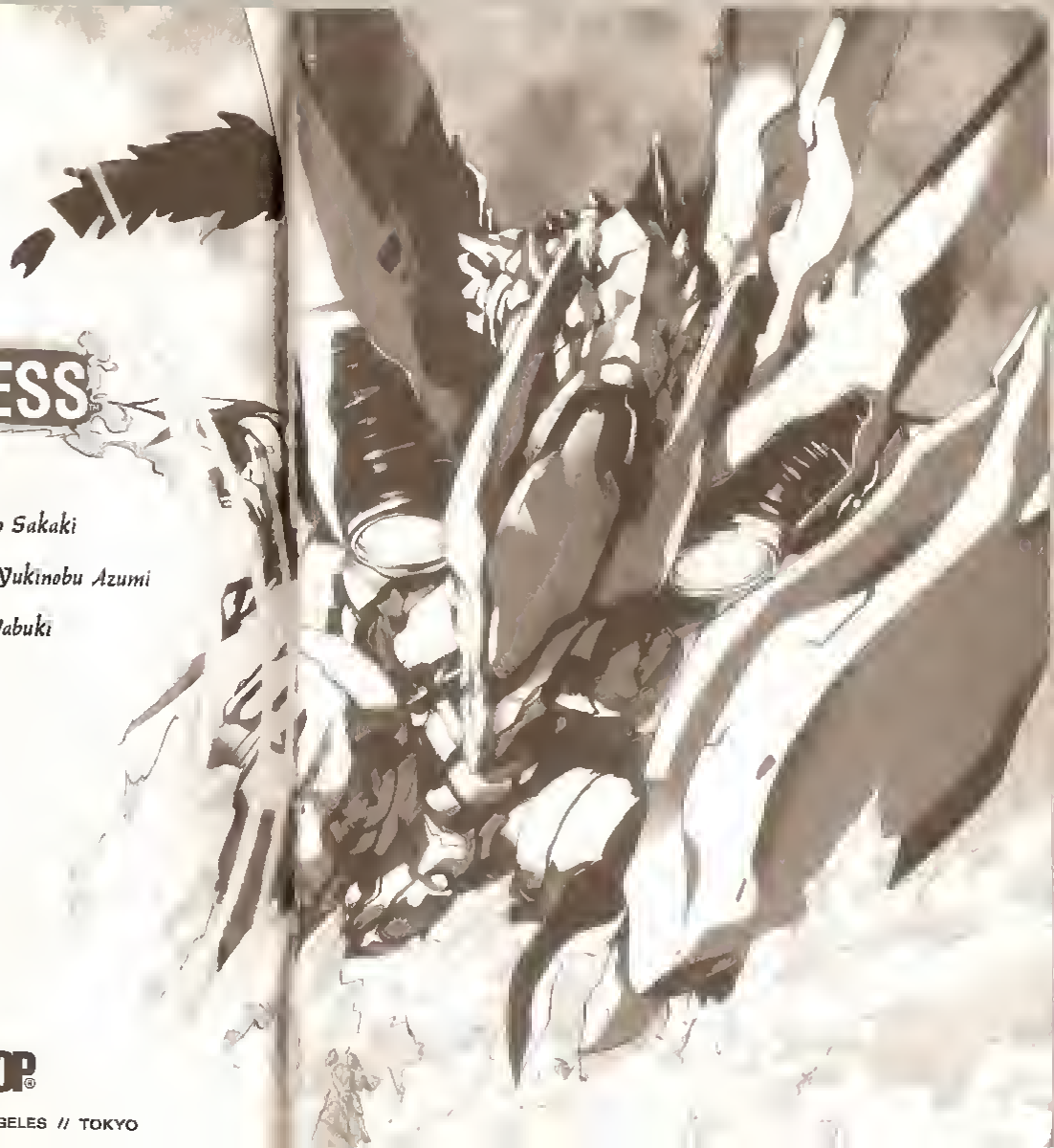

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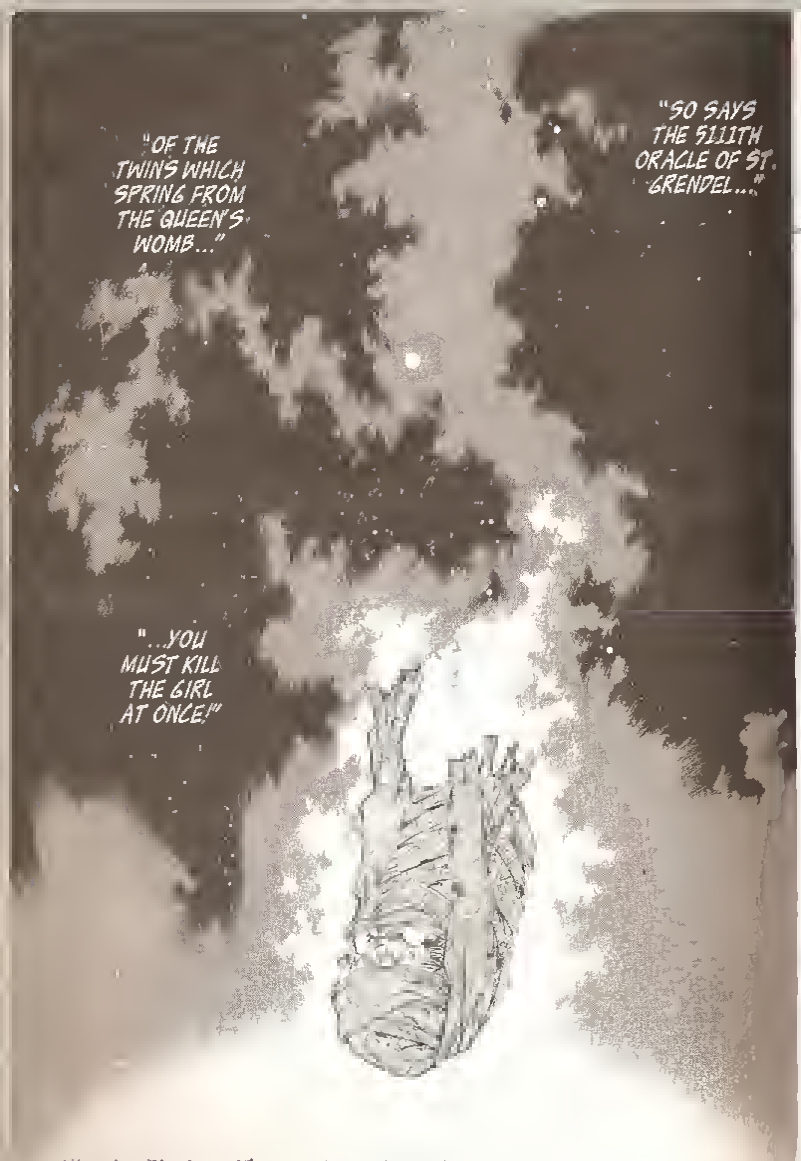

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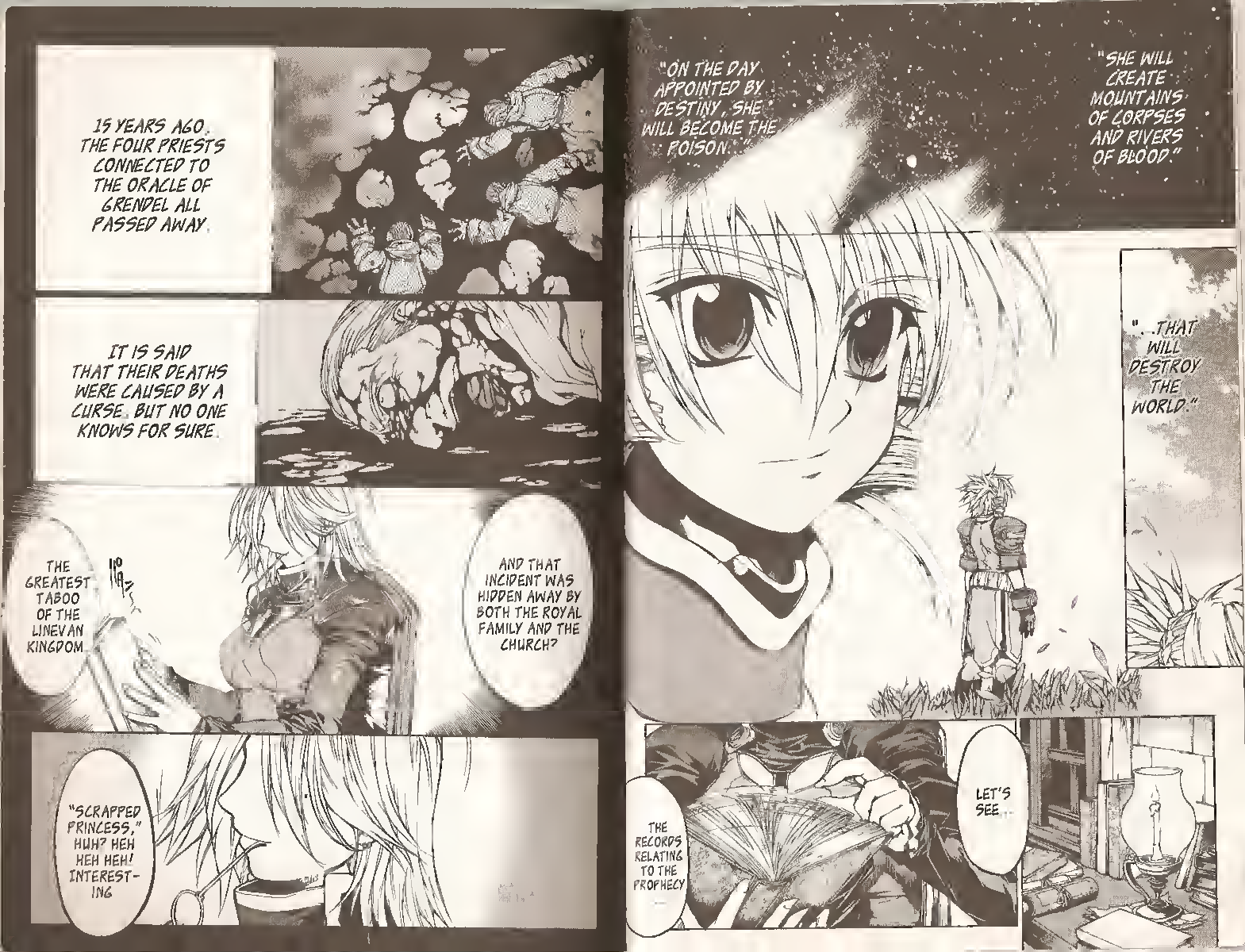
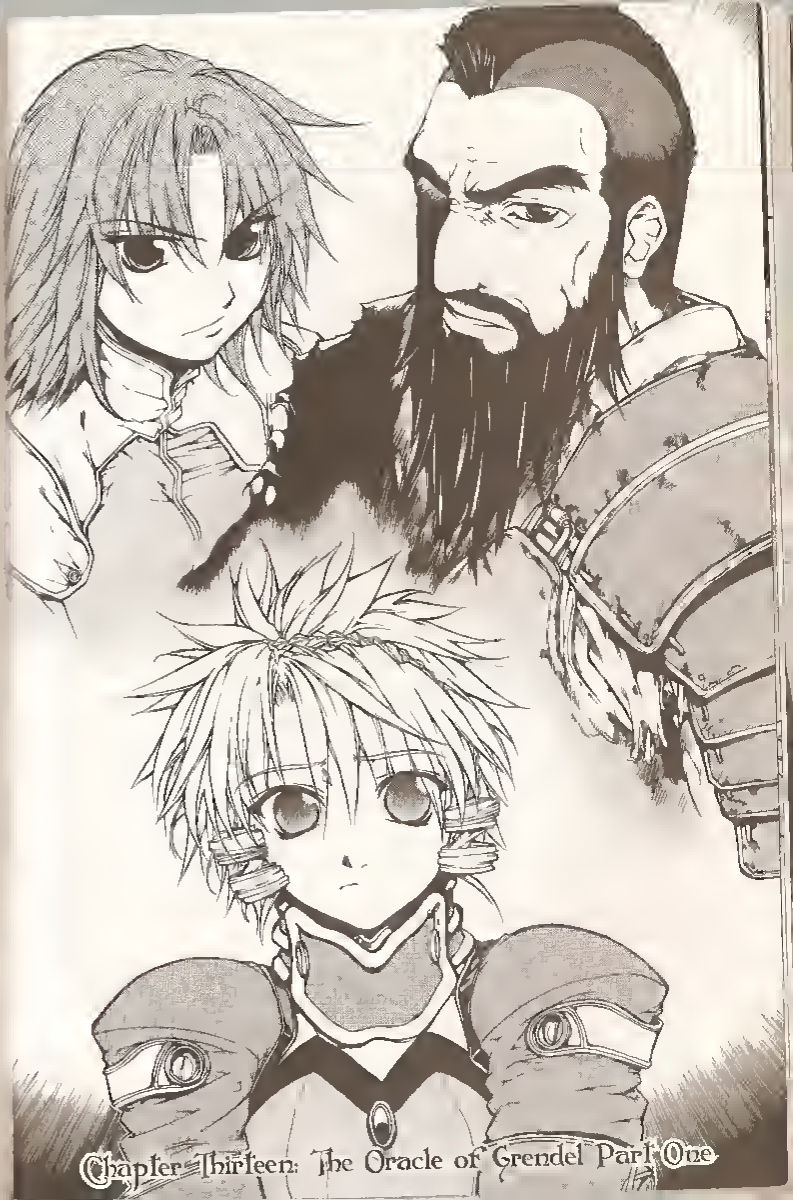

15 YEARS AGO, THE FOUR PRIESTS CONNECTED TO THE ORACLE OF GRENDEL ALL PASSED AWAY.
IT IS SAID THAT THEIR DEATHS WERE CAUSED BY A CURSE. BUT NO ONE KNOWS FOR SURE.
THE GREATEST TABOO OF THE LINEVAN KINGDOM...
AND THAT INCIDENT WAS HIDDEN AWAY BY BOTH THE ROYAL FAMILY AND THE CHURCH?
"SCRAPPED PRINCESS," HUH? HEH HEH HEH! INTERESTING
"ON THE DAY APPOINTED BY DESTINY, SHE WILL BECOME THE POISON..."
"SHE WILL CREATE MOUNTAINS OF CORPSES AND RIVERS OF BLOOD."
"...THAT WILL DESTROY THE WORLD."
THE RECORDS RELATING TO THE PROPHECY
LET'S SEE...



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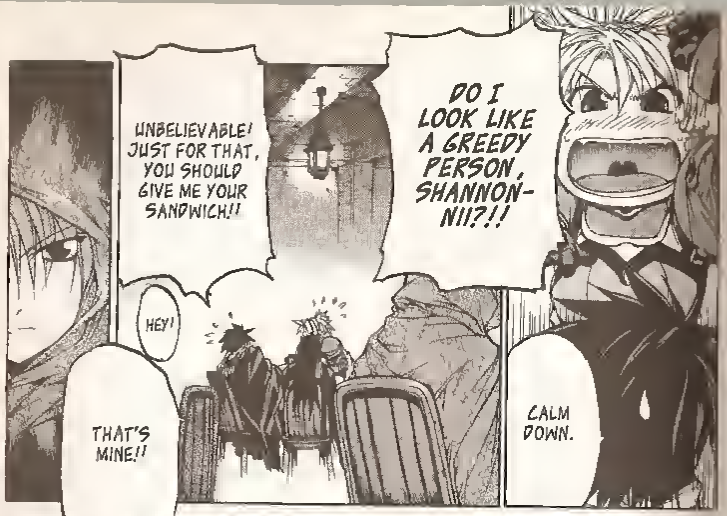
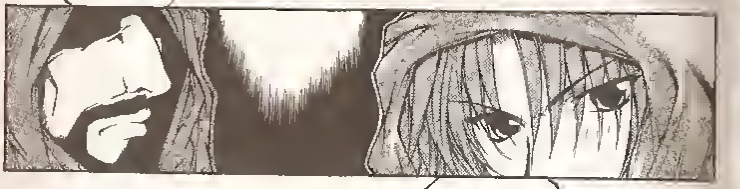
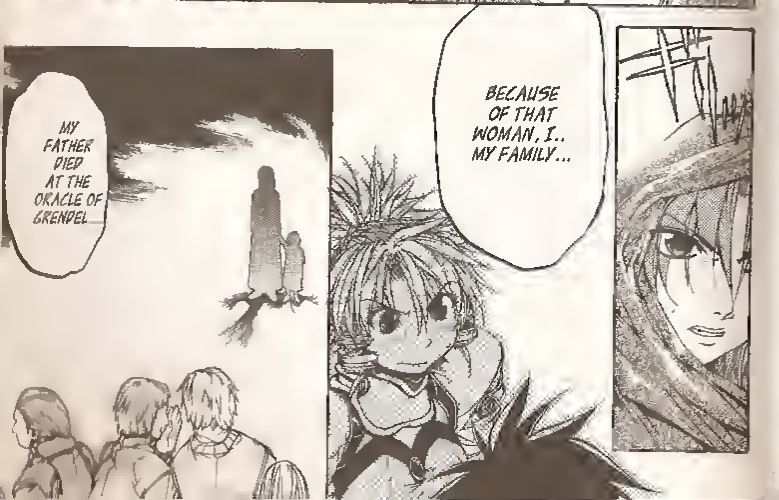
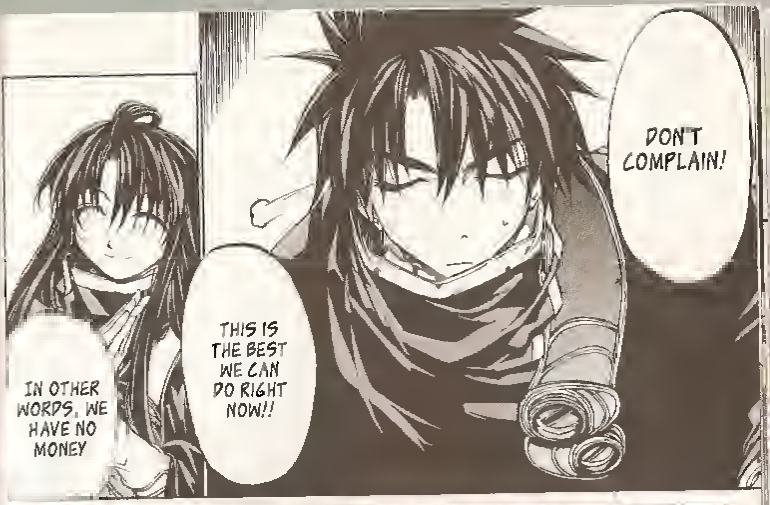
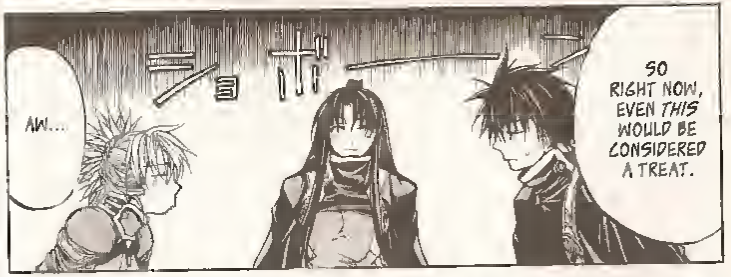
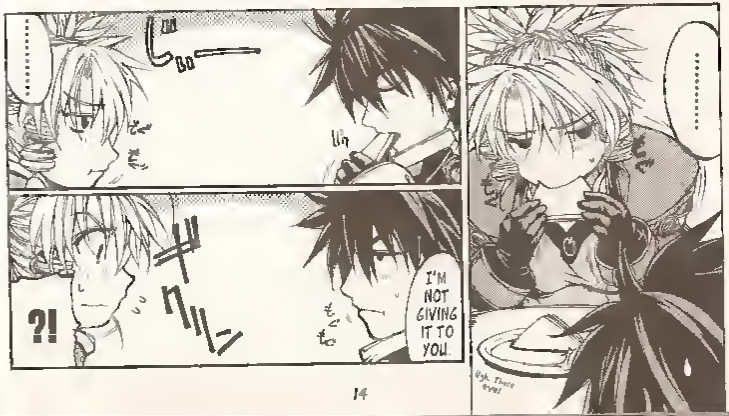

DO I LOOK LIKE A GREEDY PERSON, SHANNON-NII?!!
UNBELIEVABLE! JUST FOR THAT, YOU SHOULD GIVE ME YOUR SANDWICH!!
HEY!
THAT'S MINE!!
CALM DOWN.




MY FATHER DIED AT THE ORACLE OF GRENDEL...
BECAUSE OF THAT WOMAN, I.. MY FAMILY...


DON'T COMPLAIN!
THIS IS THE BEST WE CAN DO RIGHT NOW!!
IN OTHER WORDS, WE HAVE NO MONEY


SO RIGHT NOW, EVEN THIS WOULD BE CONSIDERED A TREAT.
AW...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I'M NOT GIVING IT TO YOU.
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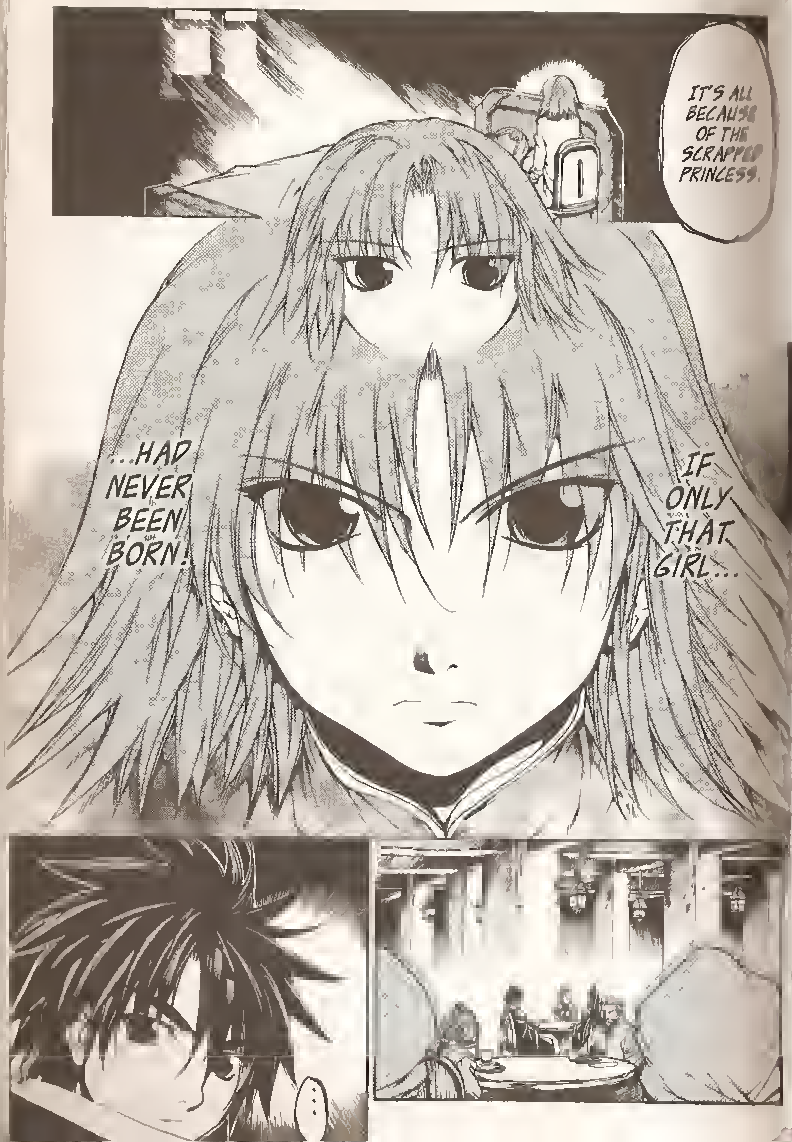
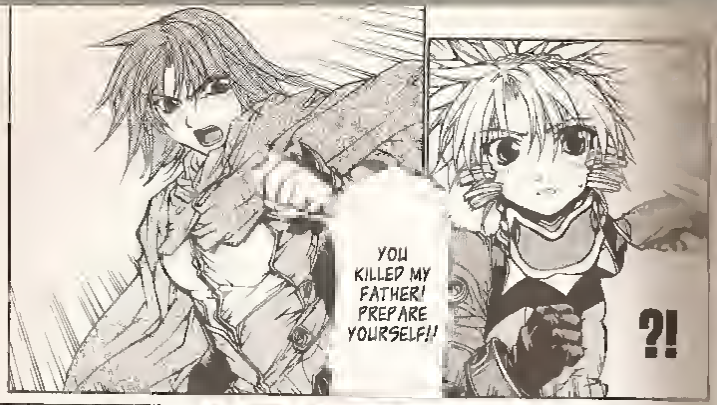

IT'S ALL BECAUSE OF THE SCRAPPED PRINCESS.
..HAD NEVER BEEN BORN!
IF ONLY THAT GIRL...

BUT ..
MY MOTHER SAID HE WAS A FINE ORACLE--THAT HE SERVED GOD AND DIED AS A MARTYR SO I SHOULD BE PROUD
WE'VE ALWAYS BEEN CALLED THAT.
THE PEOPLE AROUND US WOULDN'T SEE IT THAT WAY THE FAMILY OF ONE WHO MADE A CURSED PROPHECY . CURSED HUMANS

I TOLD YOU BEFORE...
...WE DON'T HAVE MUCH MONEY.
AN INN TO ME MEANS A MARBLE BATHTUB AND SOFT BEDS!
WE'RE STAYING IN A CHEAP HOTEL IN A BACK ALLEY.
NOT AGAIN!
AWW.
IT MUST BE AROUND HERE
WHY DON'T YOU COME OUT?
WHAT?

.....
SHANNON, IS SOMETHING WRONG?
NO, BUT SOMETHING IS BOTHERING ME.
YEAH.
WE SHOULD BE GOING.
AHHHH! OUR FIRST TOWN IN A LONG TIME.
WE'D BETTER FIND AN INN.


YOU KILLED MY FATHER! PREPARE YOURSELF!!
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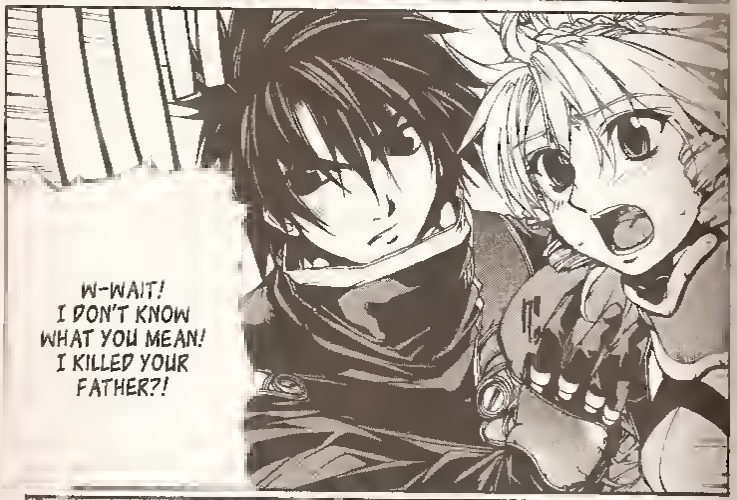
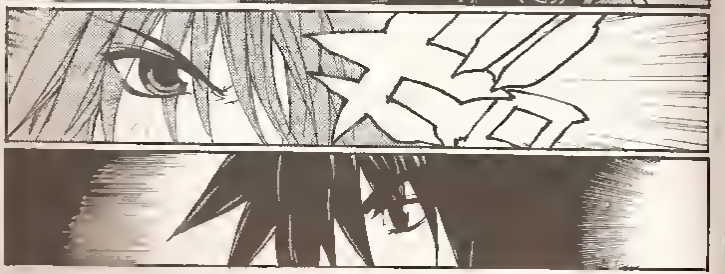
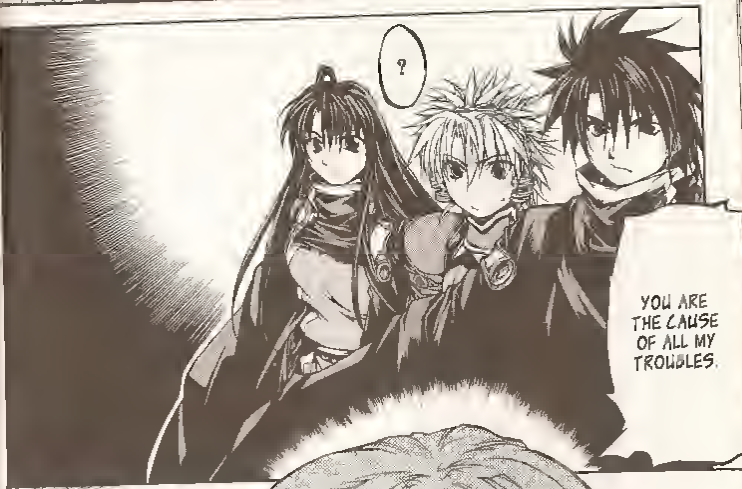

W-WAIT! I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU MEAN! I KILLED YOUR FATHER?!



WHAT'S YOUR BUSINESS WITH US.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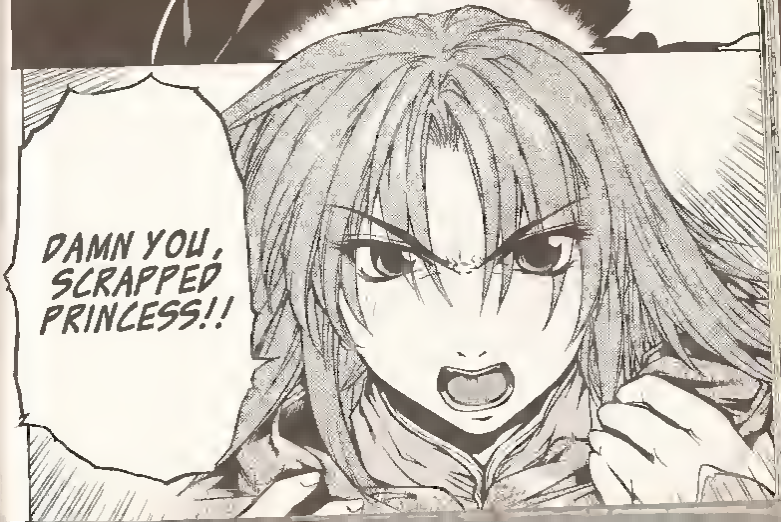
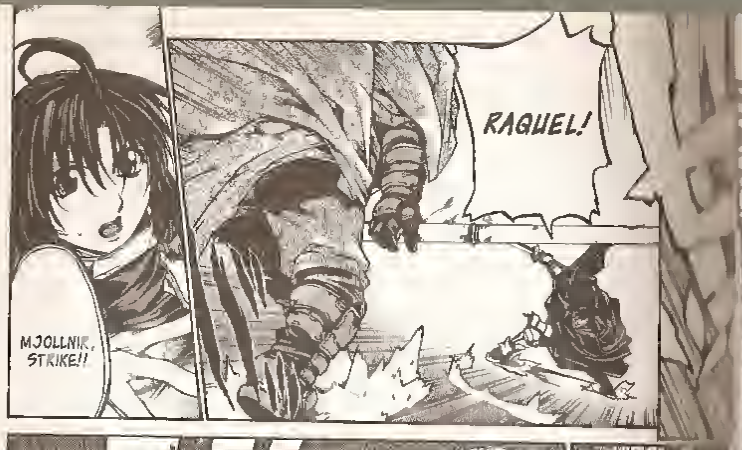
YOU ARE THE CAUSE OF ALL MY TROUBLES.


DAMN YOU, SCRAPPED PRINCESS!!


RAQUEL!
MJOLLNIR, STRIKE!!

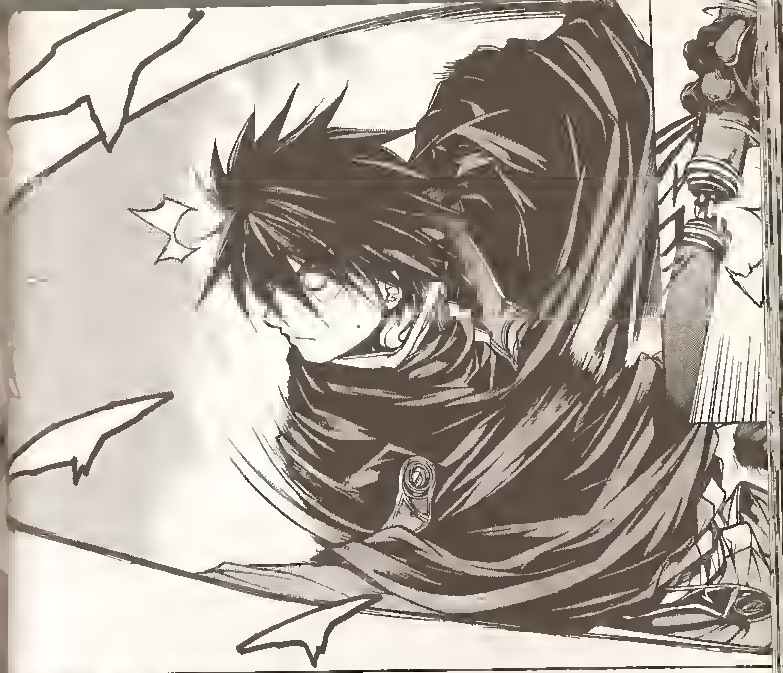
WALL, OBSTRUCT!!

DEFENSE MAGIC?!

UH!!
UGH! WHAT'S WITH THIS GUY?!

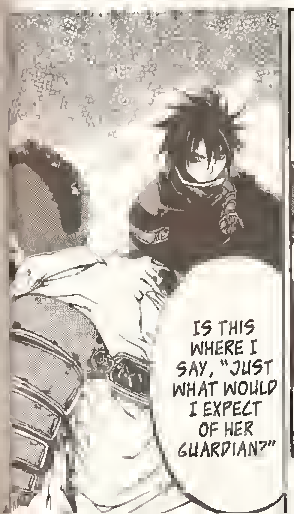
IF I COULD JUST GET INSIDE THE RANGE OF HIS SPEAR...

SO IT WOULD SEEM AND HIS MARTIAL ARTS SKILLS ARE FIRST CLASS AS WELL.
THAT MAN CAN USE MAGIC TOO.

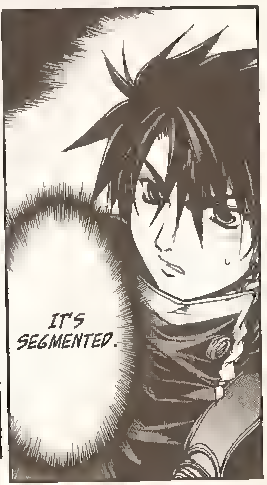


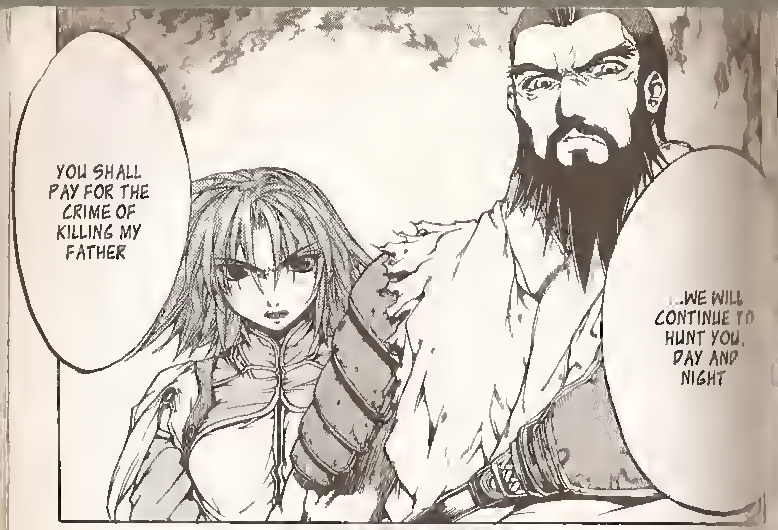
I AM A PAID MERCENARY.
MY NAME IS RAGING BULL.

WHO ARE YOU?! AND WHY ARE YOU SNEAKING AROUND AFTER US?

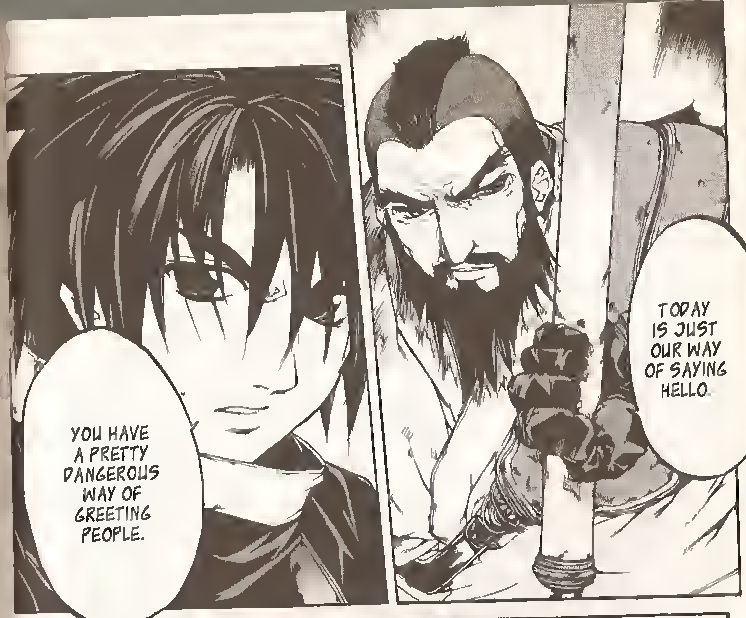

IS THIS WHERE I SAY, "JUST WHAT WOULD I EXPECT OF HER GUARDIAN?"

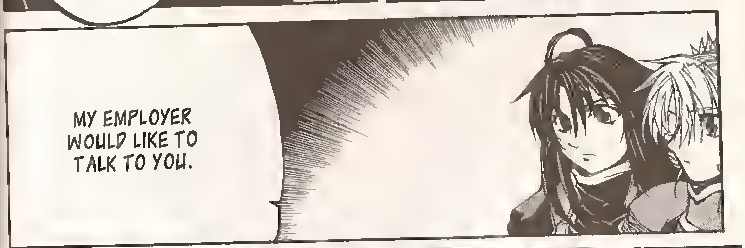
HEH HEH HEH.

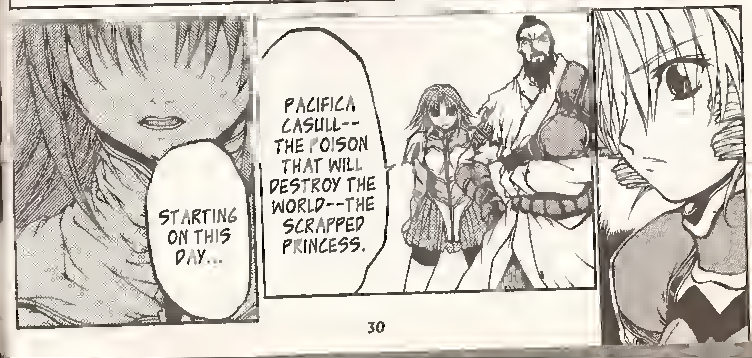

IT'S SEGMENTED.


YOU SHALL PAY FOR THE CRIME OF KILLING MY FATHER
..WE WILL CONTINUE TO HUNT YOU, DAY AND NIGHT

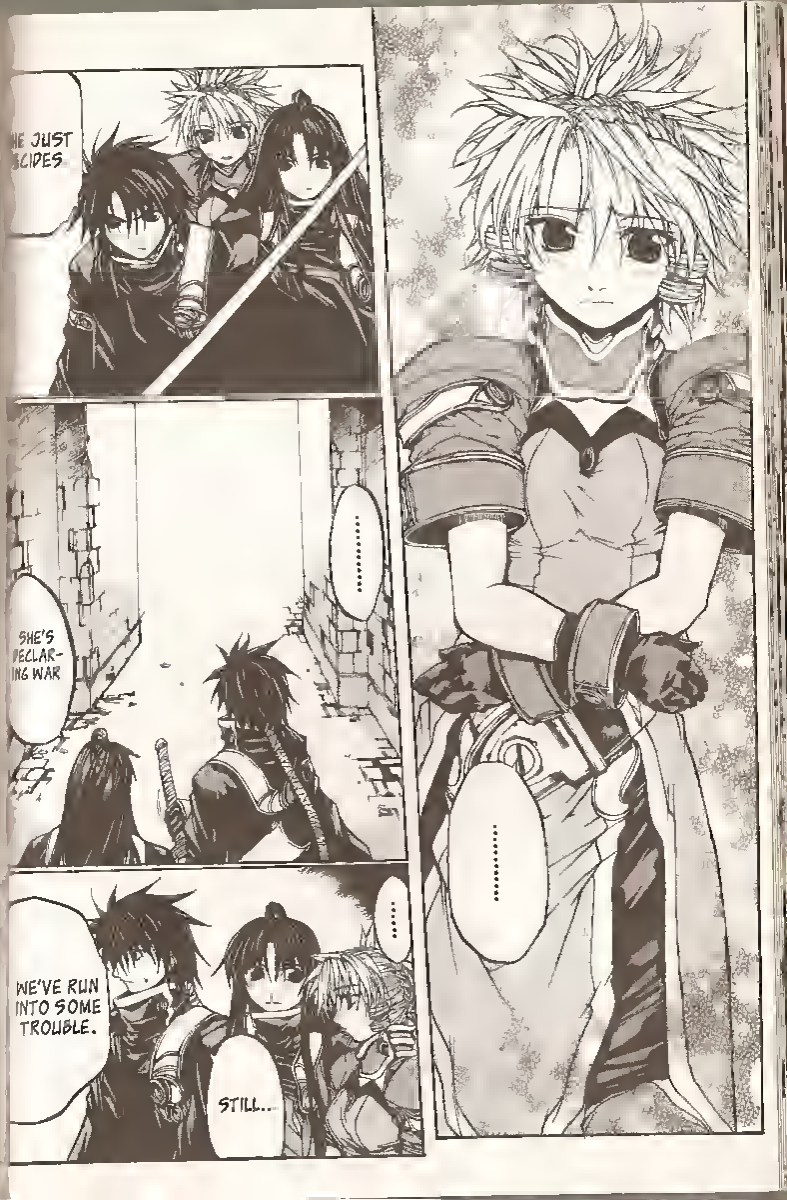
...YOU WILL DIE, SUFFERING!!
WHILE THINKING ON THE MAGNITUDE OF DEATH AND DESTRUCTION YOU HAVE CAUSED..


YOU HAVE A PRETTY DANGEROUS WAY OF GREETING PEOPLE.
TODAY IS JUST OUR WAY OF SAYING HELLO.


MY EMPLOYER WOULD LIKE TO TALK TO YOU.


STARTING ON THIS DAY...
PACIFICA CASULL-- THE POISON THAT WILL DESTROY THE WORLD--THE SCRAPPED PRINCESS.

YEAH.
PACIFICA.
JUST WONDERING WHAT ON EARTH THE "SCRAPPED PRINCESS" IS
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT?
YOU WONDER THAT TOO, PACIFICA CASULL-SAN?
AAAHH, WAIT A MINUTE...
SHEESH! THEY JUST KEEP ON COMING.


HE JUST SCIDES
SHE'S DECLAR-ING WAR
.....
.....
WE'VE RUN INTO SOME TROUBLE.
STILL...

AND I'VE FOUND I'M MOST INTERESTED IN THE ONE OF THE SCRAPPED PRINCESS
I'VE BEEN RESEARCHING THE ORACLES OF GRENDEL
!!
.....

NO.
DO YOU KNOW HER?
ty ty
Oh my. Please don't cry!
MIL-JITTE-SAN?!
I AM MILJITTE, A SCHOLAR OF NATURAL HISTORY.
SCHOLAR OF NATURAL HISTORY?
I HAVE BEEN RESEARCHING THE ORACLES OF GRENDEL IN GENERAL, A UNIQUE CASE IN PARTICULAR.
IT'S ABOUT THE SCRAPPED PRINCESS

DOES THAT MEAN YOU'RE RESEARCHING ME?
THAT WOULD BE THE CASE.
FIRST OF ALL
...RESEARCHING HER PROBABLY WON'T BENEFIT YOU IN ANY WAY
I DON'T SENSE ANY HOSTILITY FROM THIS WOMAN, BUT...
SO WHY ARE YOU HERE?
WE CAN'T LET OUR GUARD DOWN
TO OBSERVE THE SCRAPPED PRINCESS!!

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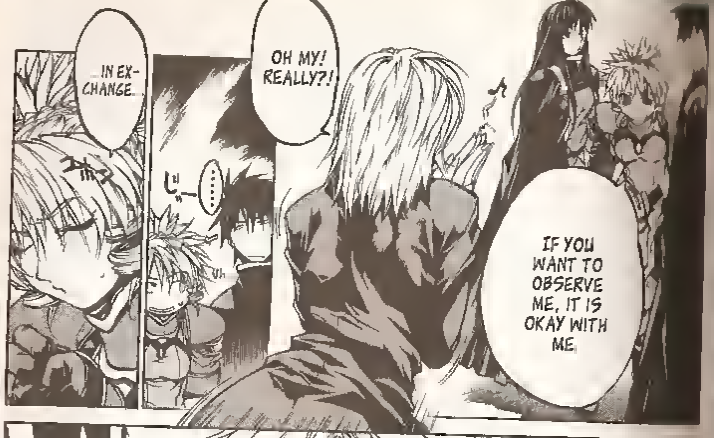
DID I REALLY TAKE HIS LIFE?
I DON'T REMEMBER ANYTHING LIKE THAT!
IF I DID CAUSE HER FATHER'S DEATH, THEN...
?!
SCRAPPED PRINCESS...

HEY, SHANNON.
OHHH...
I DON'T THINK SO.
WE DON'T KNOW MUCH ABOUT THE ORACLE, DO WE?
SINCE SHE'S HERE, IS IT OKAY IF I ASK HER A QUESTION?
WELL... THAT IS TRUE, BUT...
THAT GIRL SAID I KILLED HER FATHER.
.....
WHAT DO YOU THINK?


...IN EXCHANGE...
OH MY! REALLY?!
IF YOU WANT TO OBSERVE ME, IT IS OKAY WITH ME.

IF YOU WANT TO OBSERVE ME, YOU HAVE TO PAY FOR OUR ROOM AT AN INN!!

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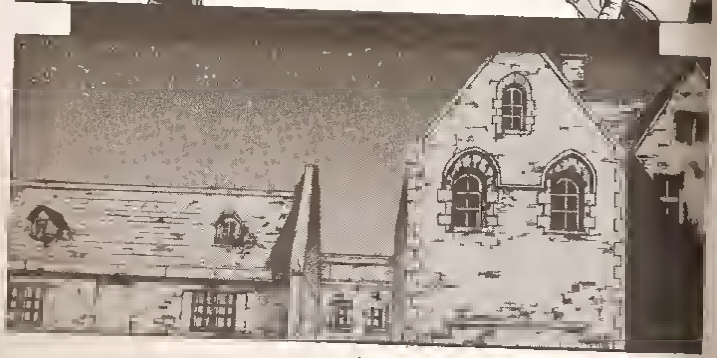


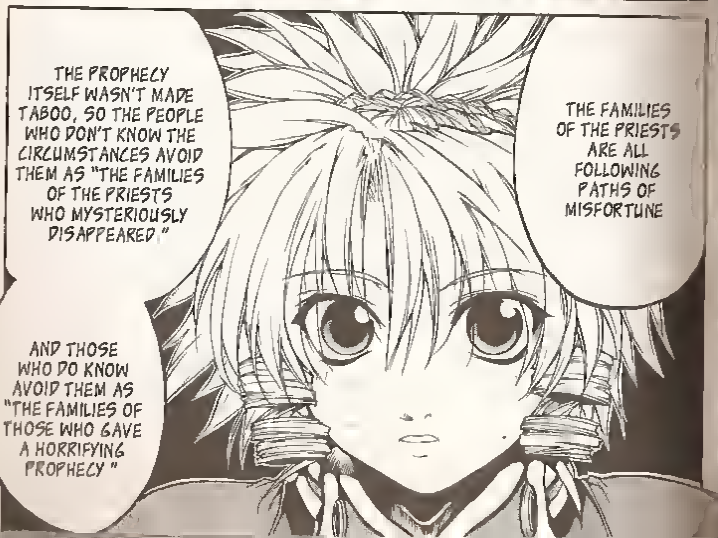
...I CAN'T RUN AWAY FROM HER!!

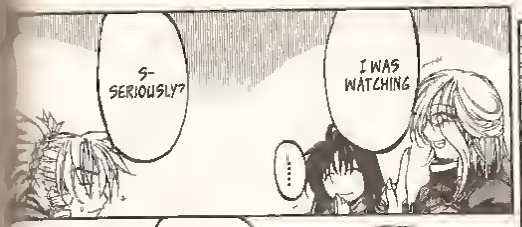
YOU SAID YOU'RE RESEARCHING ME, RIGHT?!
YES...
MILJITTE-SAN?!
HEY, PACIFICA

ALL RIGHT
UM, PACIFICA-SAN, WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE TO KNOW?
WELL...
TODAY, THERE WAS A GIRL WHO ATTACKED US AND SAID I KILLED HER FATHER.
BUT I DON'T KNOW WHAT SHE WAS TALKING ABOUT.
HMM
THE GIRL WHO HIRED THAT RAGING BULL, RIGHT?

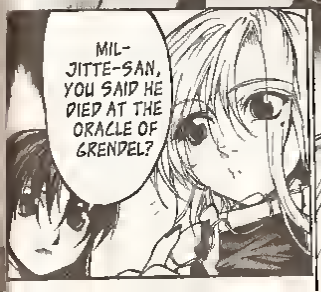
YOU DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT THE SCRAPPED PRINCESS, DO YOU?
HOW WOULD WE KNOW ABOUT THE LINEVAN KINGDOM'S GREATEST CURSE?
YOU'RE RIGHT.
WHERE WOULD YOU LIKE TO START, SCRAPPED PRINCESS-SAN?
IT'S PACIFICA.
DON'T CALL HER BY THAT NAME EVER AGAIN!!

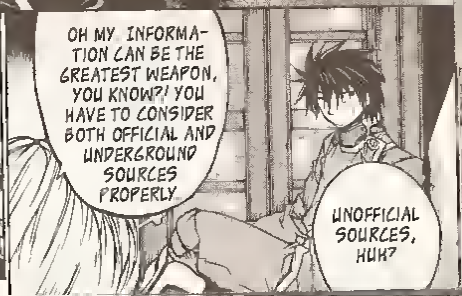
IF YOU LOOK AT IT FROM THAT GIRL'S POINT OF VIEW, I SUPPOSE YOU COULD SAY THAT HER FATHER DIED IN ORDER TO TELL OF THE EXISTENCE OF THE SCRAPPED PRINCESS.
WHEN THE PROPHECY WAS GIVEN, THE FOUR PRIESTS WHO RECEIVED IT ALL MET WITH MYSTERIOUS DEATHS.
BUT THERE IS MORE TO IT

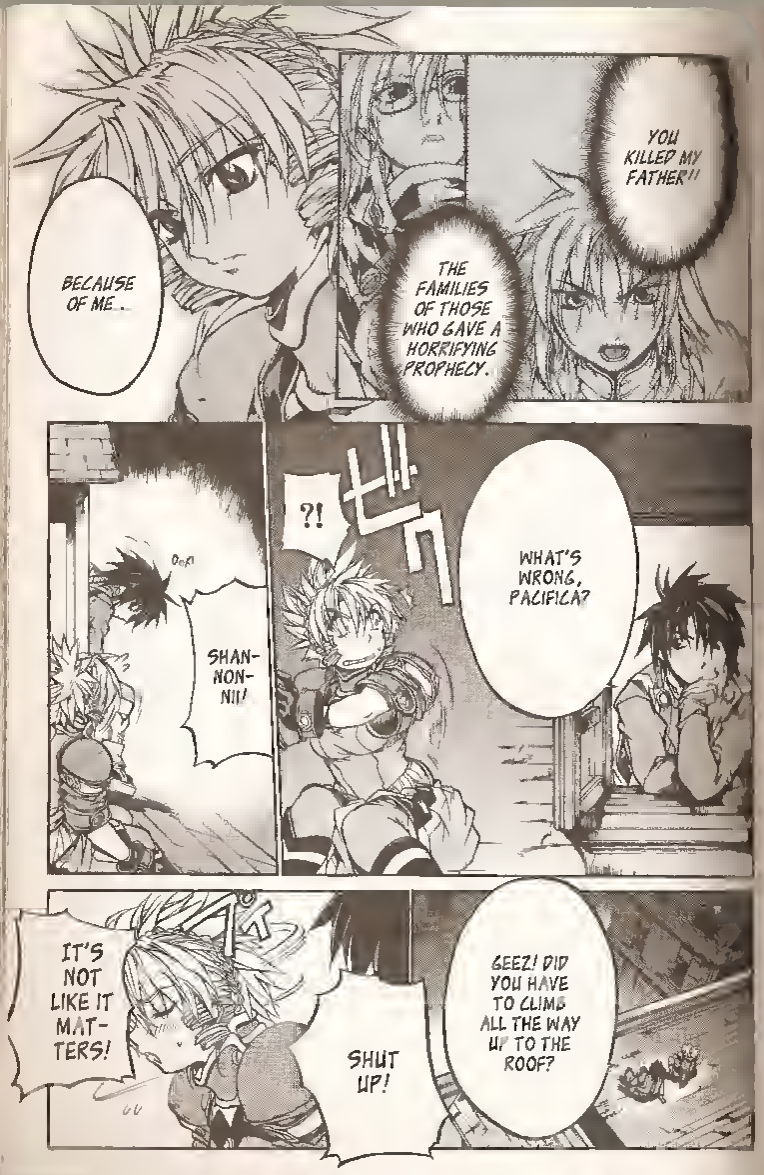

THE PROPHECY ITSELF WASN'T MADE TABOO, SO THE PEOPLE WHO DON'T KNOW THE CIRCUMSTANCES AVOID THEM AS "THE FAMILIES OF THE PRIESTS WHO MYSTERIOUSLY DISAPPEARED."
THE FAMILIES OF THE PRIESTS ARE ALL FOLLOWING PATHS OF MISFORTUNE
AND THOSE WHO DO KNOW AVOID THEM AS "THE FAMILIES OF THOSE WHO GAVE A HORRIFYING PROPHECY"

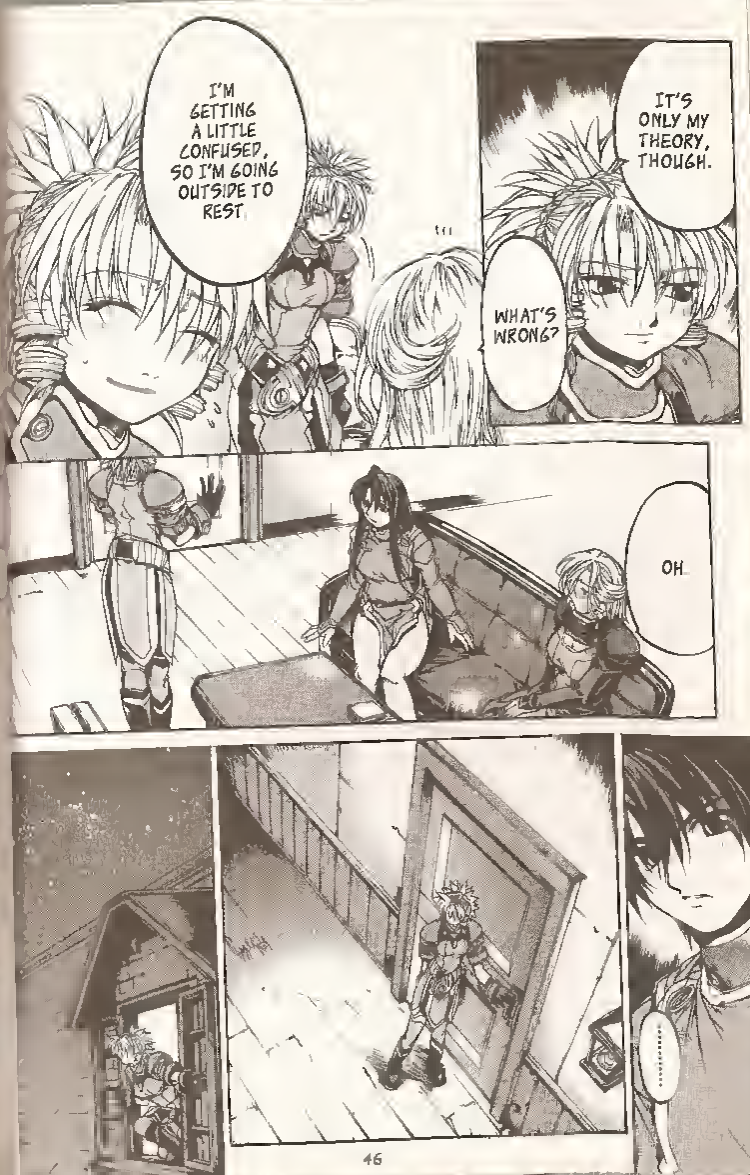

S-SERIOUSLY?
I WAS WATCHING
.....

WELL, I HAD HEARD ABOUT HER VIA SOME INFORMATION I GOT FROM UNOFFICIAL SOURCES.
YOU KNOW ABOUT HER?!
YES
SHE IS THE DAUGHTER OF A PRIEST WHO DIED AT THE ORACLE OF GRENDEL, AND SHE'S HIRED A MERCENARY TO KILL YOU.


MIL-JITTE-SAN, YOU SAID HE DIED AT THE ORACLE OF GRENDEL?


OH MY. INFORMATION CAN BE THE GREATEST WEAPON, YOU KNOW?! YOU HAVE TO CONSIDER BOTH OFFICIAL AND UNDERGROUND SOURCES PROPERLY.
UNOFFICIAL SOURCES, HUH?


YOU KILLED MY FATHER!!
THE FAMILIES OF THOSE WHO GAVE A HORRIFYING PROPHECY.
BECAUSE OF ME...
SHAN-NON-NII!
?!
WHAT'S WRONG, PACIFICA?
IT'S NOT LIKE IT MAT-TERS!
SHUT UP!
GEEZ! DID YOU HAVE TO CLIMB ALL THE WAY UP TO THE ROOF?


I'M GETTING A LITTLE CONFUSED, SO I'M GOING OUTSIDE TO REST.
IT'S ONLY MY THEORY, THOUGH.
WHAT'S WRONG?
OH.
.....

YOU DIDN'T CHOOSE ANY OF THIS, SO DON'T MAKE IT YOUR FAULT.
ALL THAT STUFF WITH THE ORACLE HAPPENED BEFORE YOU WERE BORN.
SO ARE YOU SAYING THAT WHEN YOU FOUND OUT I WAS THE SCRAPPED PRINCESS...
...RAQUEL AND I WOULD HAVE DIED LONG AGO.
BESIDES IF IT IS A CURSE.
...YOU WEREN'T SCARED?

I WONDER IF MAYBE I... REALLY SHOULDN'T HAVE BEEN BORN
EVERYONE IS SO UNHAPPY BECAUSE OF ME.
HEY, SHANNON-NII...
ARE YOU SAYING THAT STUFF AGAIN?!
HEY!
EVEN YOU AND RAQUEL-NEE.

THAT YOU MIGHT DISAPPEAR FROM OUR LIVES ..THAT IS WHAT I WAS SCARED OF..
YEAH..
SOMETHING LIKE THAT.

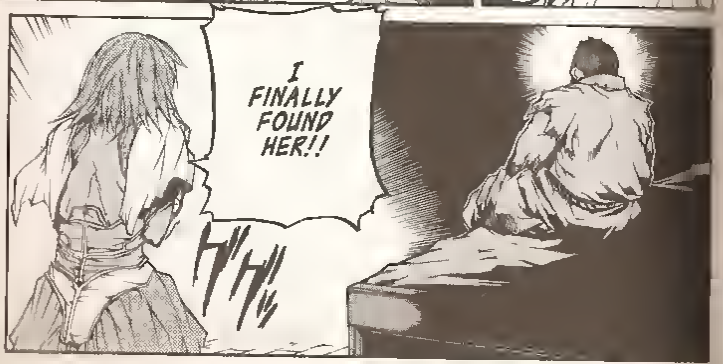
AT'S AT?!!
WELL .. YOU ARE WHAT YOU ARE
WH- WHAT?!
FFT
YOU ARE THE SCRAPPED PRINCESS.
BUT...
EH?
I CAN'T SAY I WASN'T...
WELL.. YOU KNOW.

THANKS, SHANNON-NII.

YES! OF COURSE THERE IS!

RAGING BULL!
I RESTRAINED MYSELF BACK THERE, JUST LIKE YOU TOLD ME TO.

IS THERE A PROBLEM, TARSA?


I FINALLY FOUND HER!!

WHAT IF SHE GETS AWAY? NO-- WHAT IF SOMEONE ELSE KILLS HER FIRST?
I WANT TO KILL THE SCRAPPED PRINCESS WITH MY OWN HANDS!!
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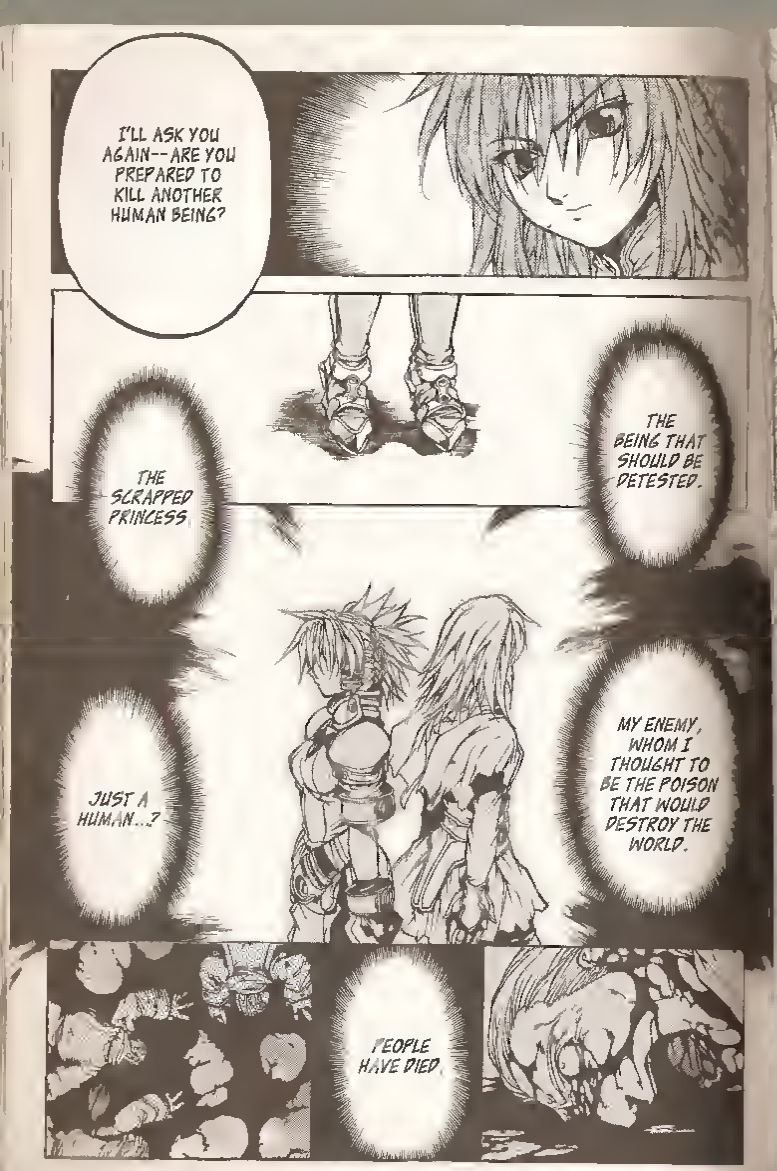
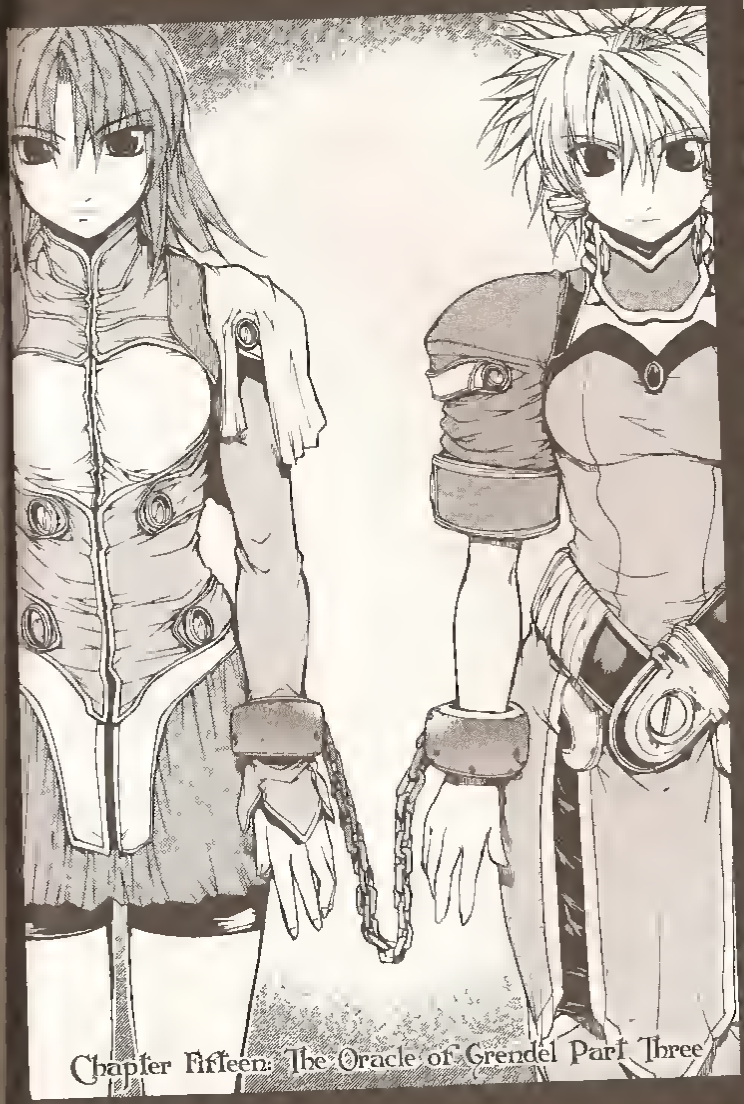
Ryy
ARE YOU...
PREPARED?!
DO YOU UNDERSTAND WHAT IT MEANS TO KILL SOMEONE?
ARE YOU PREPARED TO BEAR THAT BURDEN?!
ARE YOU HONESTLY READY FOR THAT?


I'LL ASK YOU AGAIN--ARE YOU PREPARED TO KILL ANOTHER HUMAN BEING?
THE BEING THAT SHOULD BE DETESTED.
THE SCRAPPED PRINCESS.
JUST A HUMAN...?
MY ENEMY, WHOM I THOUGHT TO BE THE POISON THAT WOULD DESTROY THE WORLD.
PEOPLE HAVE DIED.

ARE YOU SAYING THE SCRAPPED PRINCESS IS HUMAN? YOU'RE JOKING!!
ARE
SHE LOOKED LIKE A NORMAL HUMAN BEING TO ME. DID YOU NOT SEE THAT?
COULD YOU NOT SEE PAST THE STIGMA OF THE "SCRAPPED PRINCESS"?
DID YOU NOT SEE A THINKING, FEELING, LIVING, REAL PERSON?
HUMAN? THE SCRAPPED PRINCESS?!

KILLING A PERSON...
ARE YOU PREPARED FOR THAT?
I'M GOING TO KILL THAT GIRL.
PERHAPS THE SCRAPPED PRINCESS IS HUMAN.
I'M GOING TO...
TO KILL..
..ANOTHER PERSON.
..KILL THAT GIRL?!

WE HAVE WITNESSES!!
SEARCH EVERYWHERE!!
FOR OUR LORD MAUSER AND THE LINEVAN KINGDOM, WE MUST DESTROY THE SCRAPPED PRINCESS!!
WHAT?
THAT WAS CLOSE.
FOR THEIR LORD MAUSER AND THE KINGDOM, HUH?



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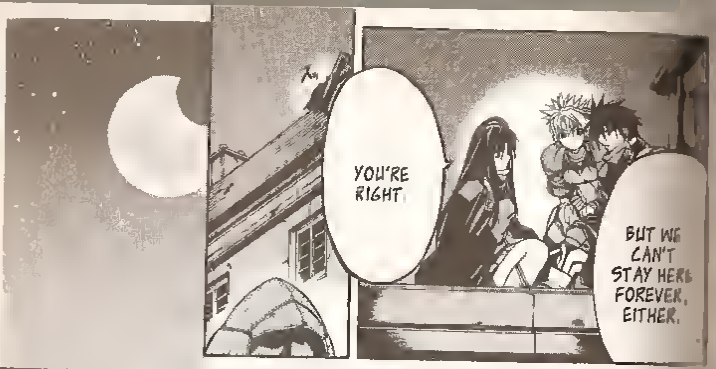
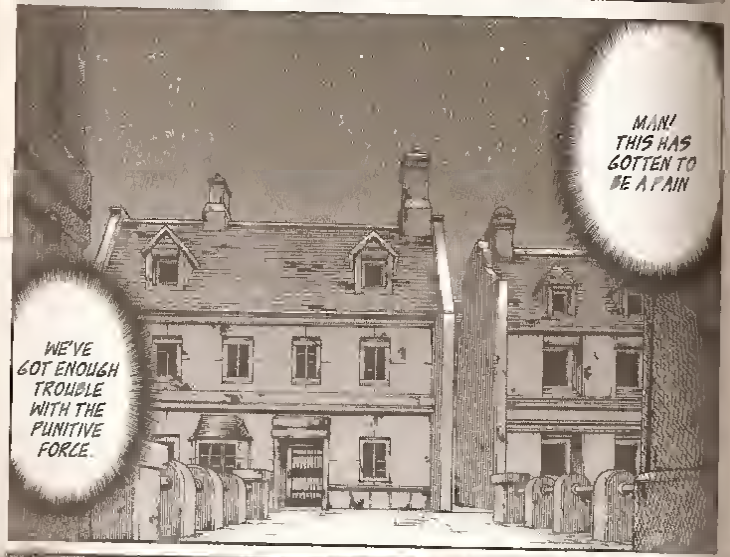
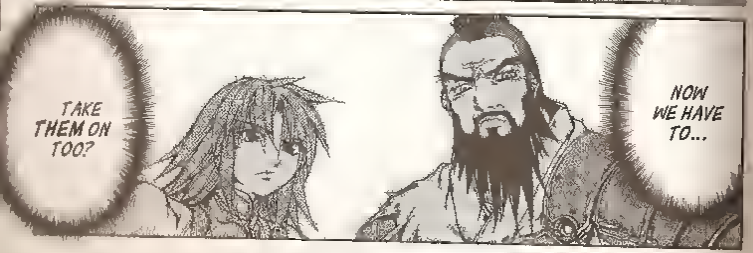
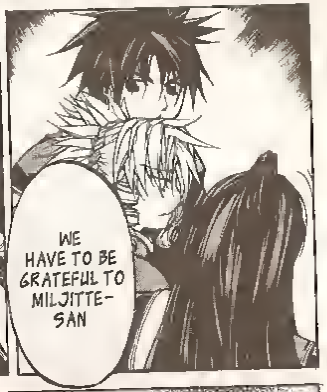

YOU'RE RIGHT.
BUT WE CAN'T STAY HERE FOREVER, EITHER.

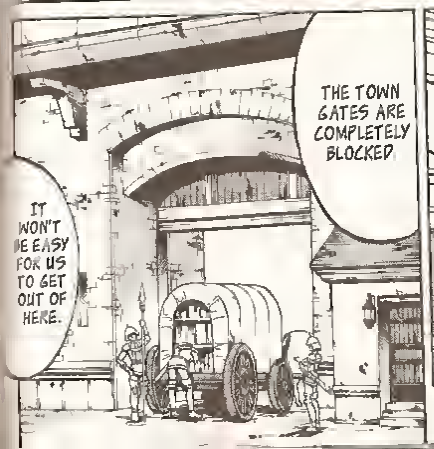

MAN! THIS HAS GOTTEN TO BE A PAIN
WE'VE GOT ENOUGH TROUBLE WITH THE PUNITIVE FORCE.

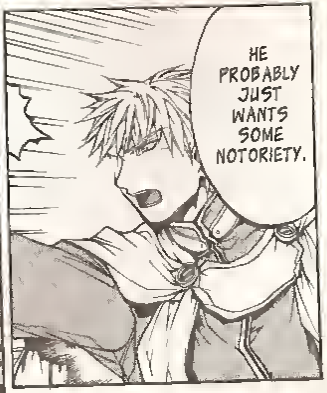

TAKE THEM ON TOO?
NOW WE HAVE TO...

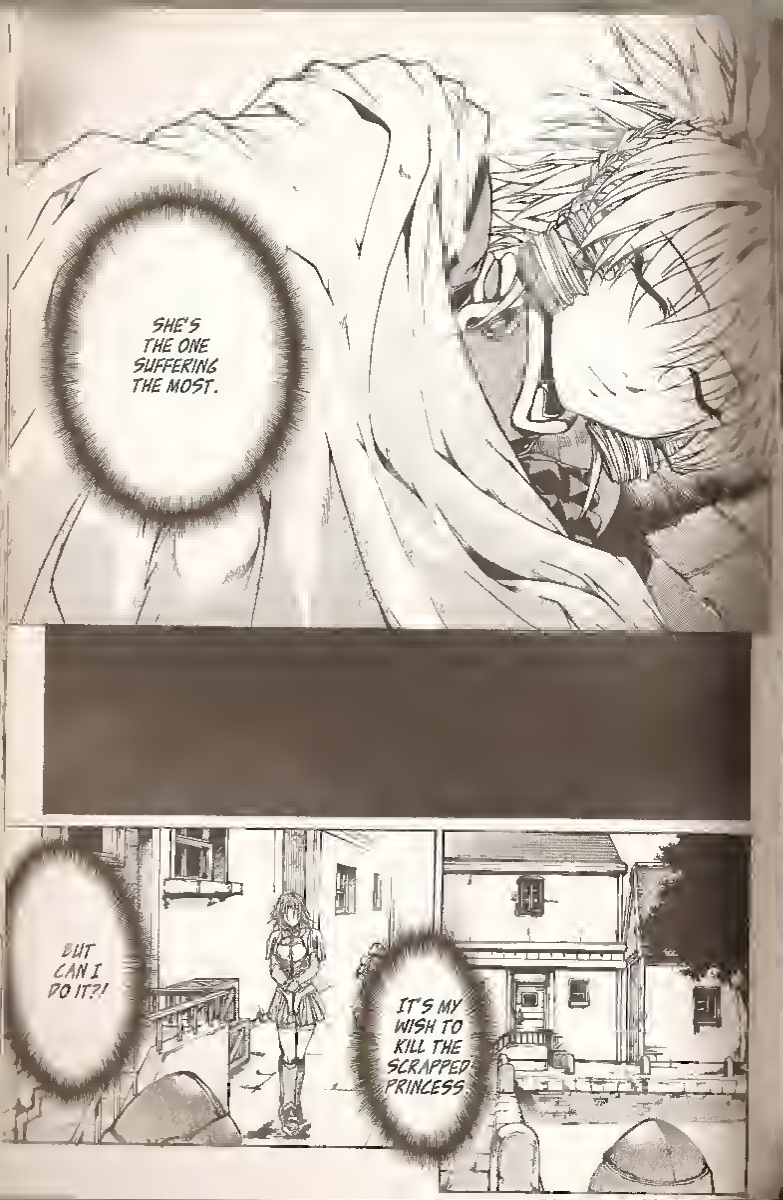
YEAH, IF SHE HADN'T WARNED US...
FOR SOME REASON I HATE THAT GUY GIVING ORDERS.


WE HAVE TO BE GRATEFUL TO MILJITTE-SAN

BUT HE DOESN'T SEEM TO HAVE A VERY GOOD REPUTATION.
THEY SAY HE'S THE FEUDAL LORD HERE AND A FOLLOWER OF THE MAUSER FAITH.

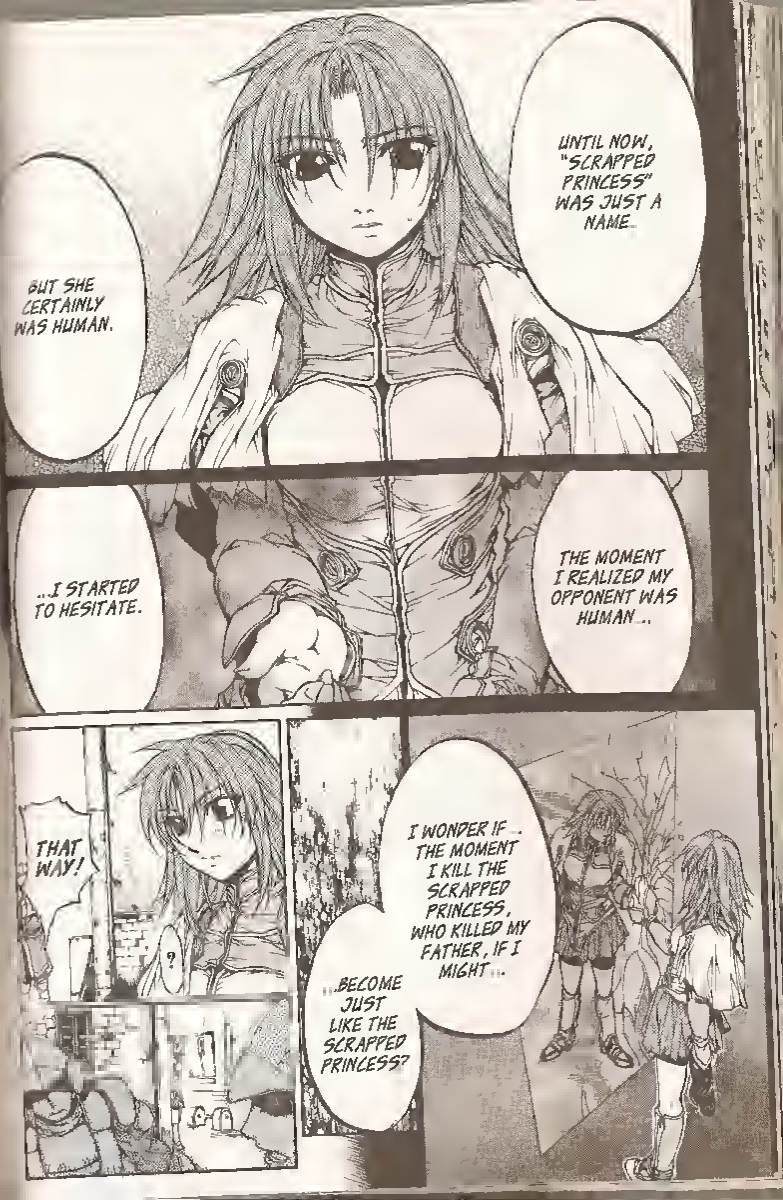

IT WON'T BE EASY FOR US TO GET OUT OF HERE.
THE TOWN GATES ARE COMPLETELY BLOCKED.

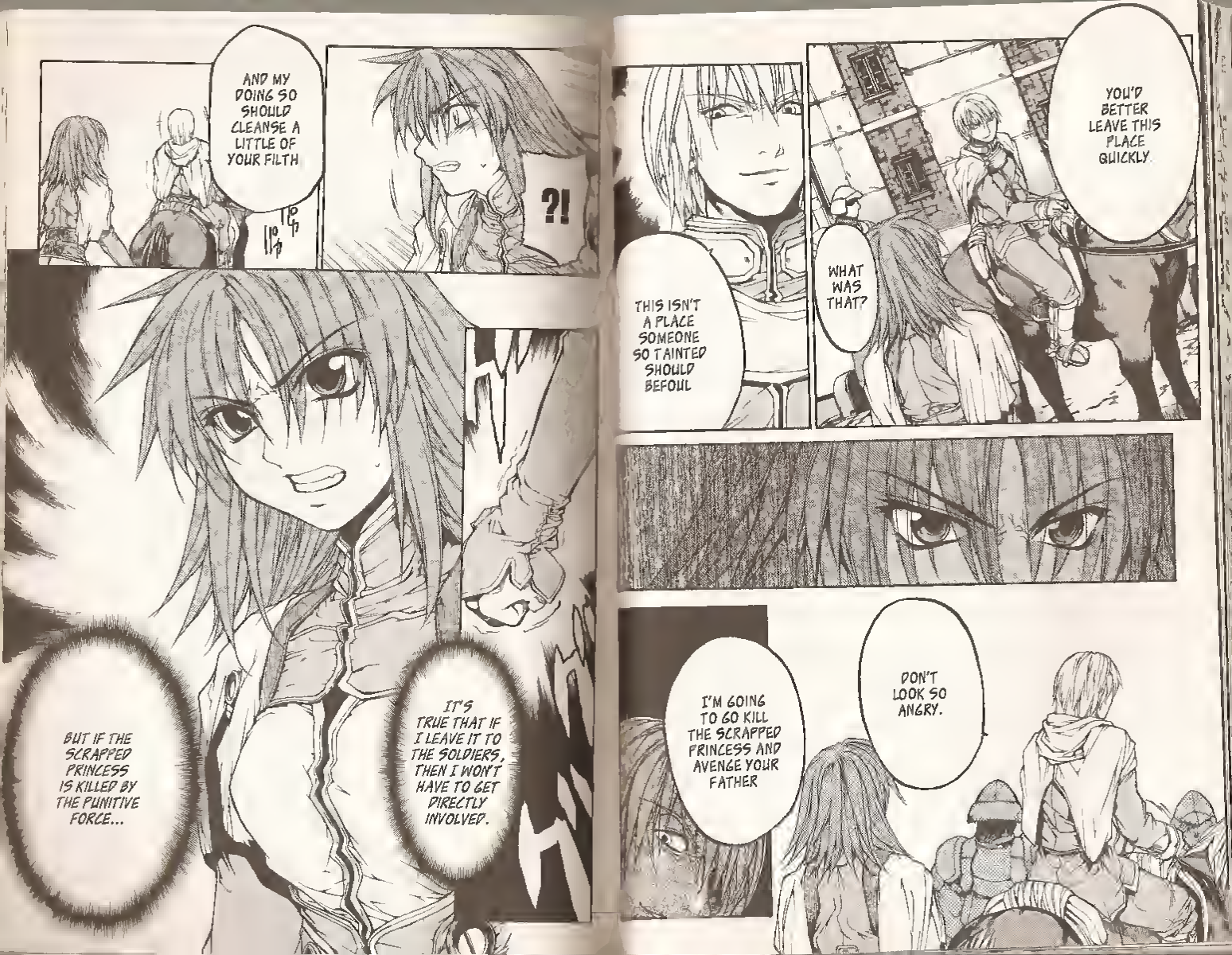

HE PROBABLY JUST WANTS SOME NOTORIETY.


SHE'S THE ONE SUFFERING THE MOST.
BUT CAN I DO IT?!
IT'S MY WISH TO KILL THE SCRAPPED PRINCESS.

I GUESS NOT ALL OF THE PEOPLE WHO ARE AFTER PACIFICA...
YOU KILLED MY FATHER. PREPARE YOURSELF!!
...ARE DOING IT BECAUSE OF THEIR BELIEF IN THE PROPHECY.
IT'S CRAZY.

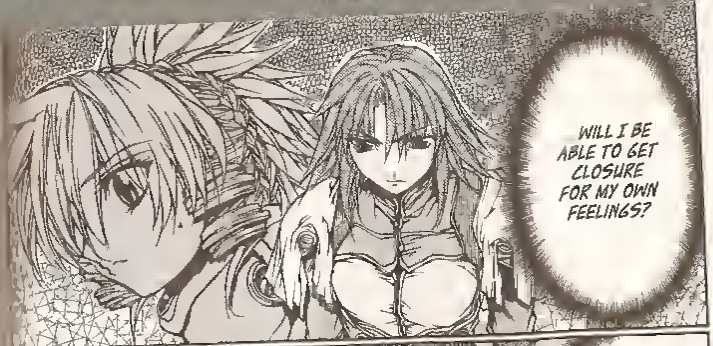
YOU FOUND THE SCRAPPED PRINCESS? GOOD.
I WONDER WHAT'S GOING ON.
THAT'S STRANGE.
GATHER THE SOLDIERS IMMEDIATE-- HMM?
IF IT ISN'T TARSA-DONO.
WELL, WELL.

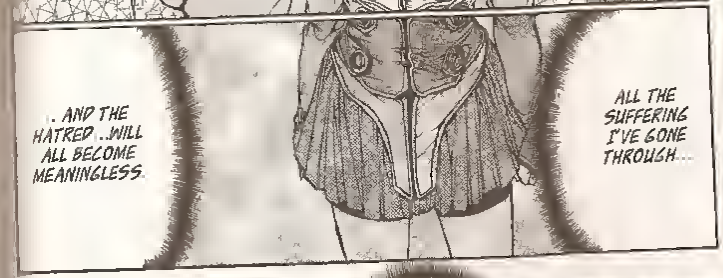

UNTIL NOW, "SCRAPPED PRINCESS" WAS JUST A NAME.
BUT SHE CERTAINLY WAS HUMAN.
THE MOMENT I REALIZED MY OPPONENT WAS HUMAN...
..I STARTED TO HESITATE.
I WONDER IF... THE MOMENT I KILL THE SCRAPPED PRINCESS, WHO KILLED MY FATHER, IF I MIGHT...
...BECOME JUST LIKE THE SCRAPPED PRINCESS?
THAT WAY!
?

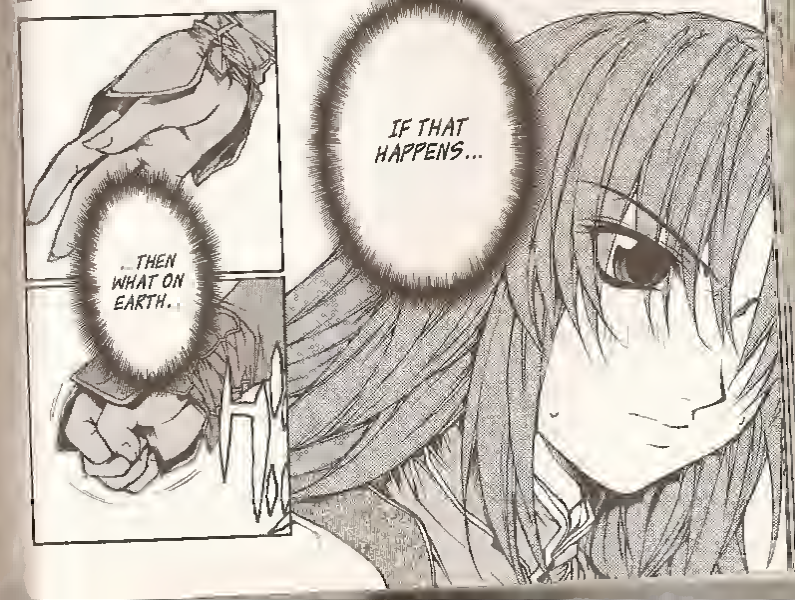

AND MY DOING SO SHOULD CLEANSE A LITTLE OF YOUR FILTH
?!
BUT IF THE SCRAPPED PRINCESS IS KILLED BY THE PUNITIVE FORCE...
IT'S TRUE THAT IF I LEAVE IT TO THE SOLDIERS, THEN I WON'T HAVE TO GET DIRECTLY INVOLVED.
THIS ISN'T A PLACE SOMEONE SO TAINTED SHOULD BEFOUL
WHAT WAS THAT?
YOU'D BETTER LEAVE THIS PLACE QUICKLY.
I'M GOING TO GO KILL THE SCRAPPED PRINCESS AND AVENGE YOUR FATHER
DON'T LOOK SO ANGRY.

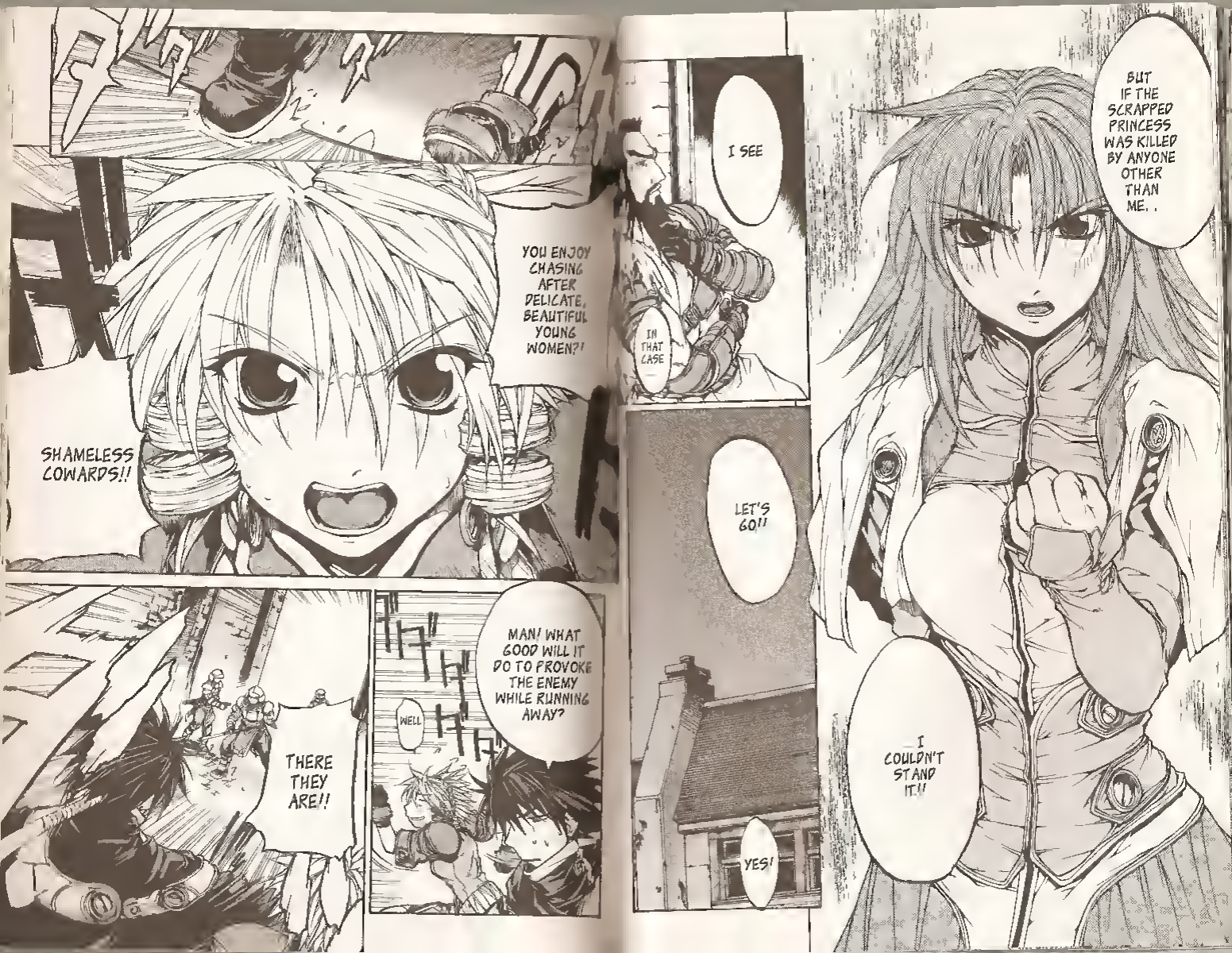
WHAT ON EARTH WILL I HAVE LEFT?!

I'M GOING TO STOP THEM.
RAGING BULL...
YEAH, I KNOW.
YOU UNDERSTAND THAT YOU'LL BECOME A FUGITIVE, TOO.


WILL I BE ABLE TO GET CLOSURE FOR MY OWN FEELINGS?

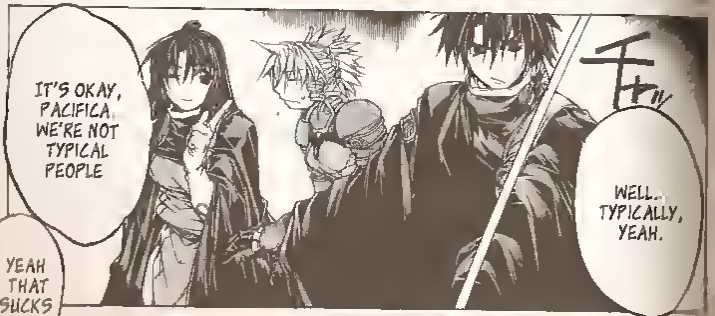

ALL THE SUFFERING I'VE GONE THROUGH...
..AND THE HATRED ..WILL ALL BECOME MEANINGLESS.


IF THAT HAPPENS...
..THEN WHAT ON EARTH..


BUT IF THE SCRAPPED PRINCESS WAS KILLED BY ANYONE OTHER THAN ME..
I COULDN'T STAND IT!!
I SEE
IN THAT CASE
LET'S GO!!
YES!
YOU ENJOY CHASING AFTER DELICATE, BEAUTIFUL YOUNG WOMEN?!
SHAMELESS COWARDS!!
MAN! WHAT GOOD WILL IT DO TO PROVOKE THE ENEMY WHILE RUNNING AWAY?
WELL
THERE THEY ARE!!

THERE'S NO END TO THEM.
AH...
DON'T LET THEM ESCAPE!

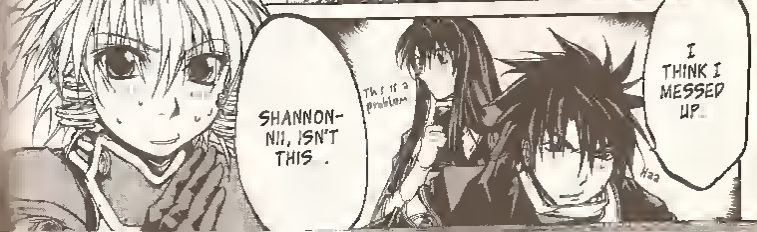
...WHAT THEY CALL "HAVING YOUR BACK AGAINST THE WALL"?

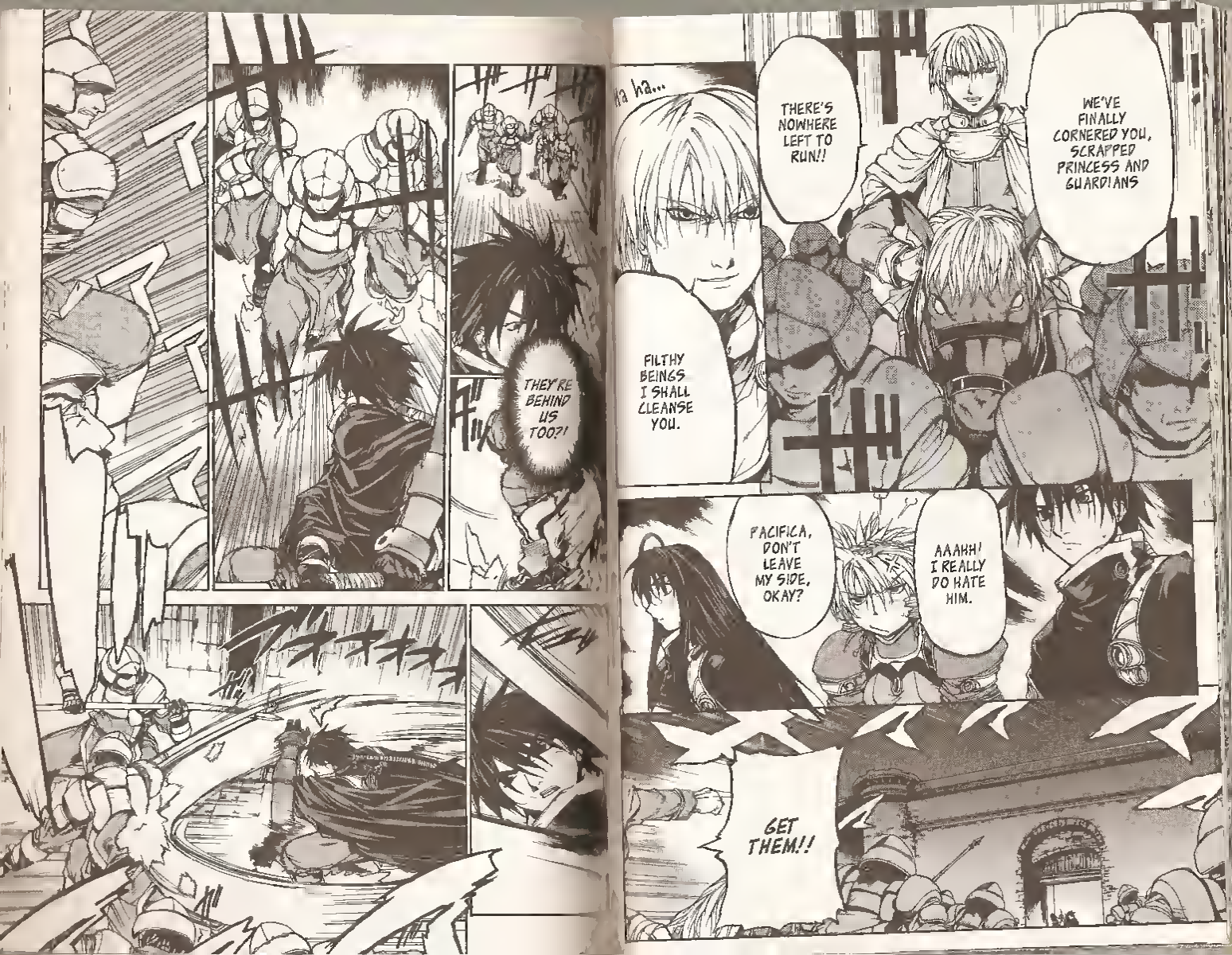

IT'S OKAY, PACIFICA. WE'RE NOT TYPICAL PEOPLE
YEAH THAT SUCKS
WELL... TYPICALLY, YEAH.

OKAY!!
WE'LL GET TO THE GATE SOON! RUN AS FAST AS YOU CAN!!

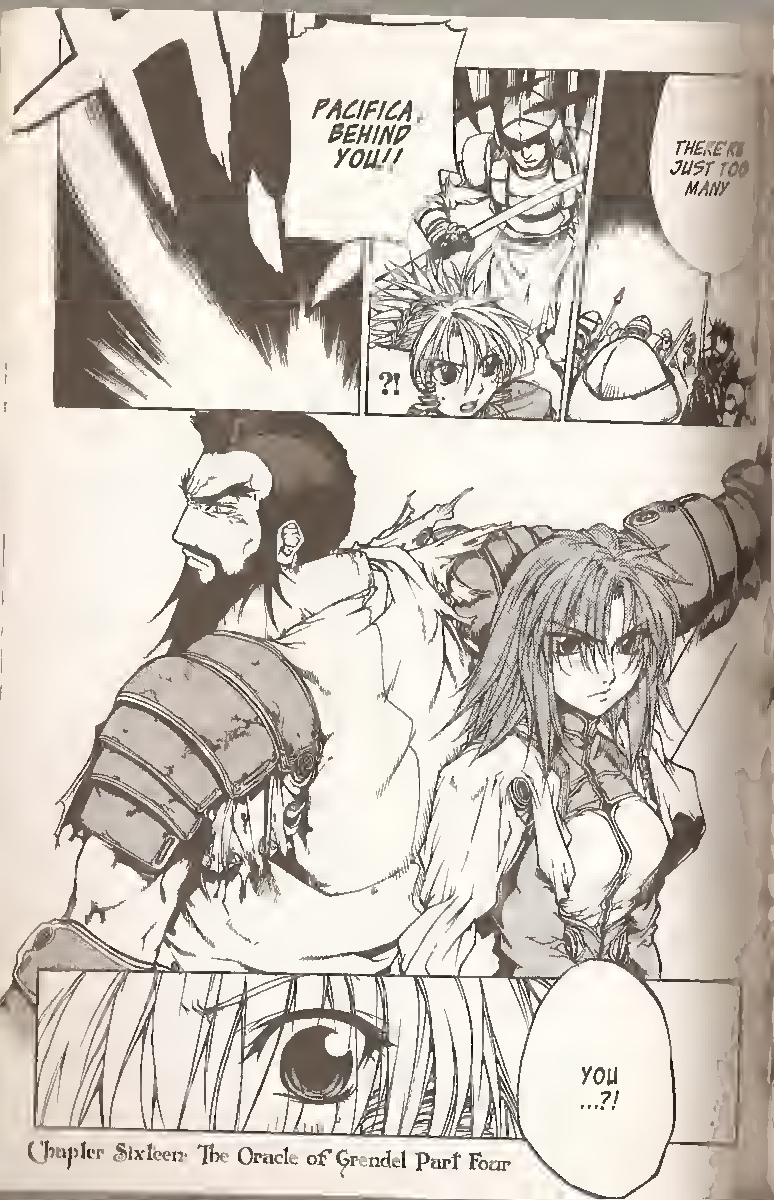
WALL...

...OBSTRUCT!
?!


SHANNON-NII, ISN'T THIS .
That is a problem
I THINK I MESSED UP...
Haa


WE'VE FINALLY CORNERED YOU, SCRAPPED PRINCESS AND GUARDIANS
THERE'S NOWHERE LEFT TO RUN!!
ha ha...
FILTHY BEINGS I SHALL CLEANSE YOU.
AAAHH! I REALLY DO HATE HIM.
FACIFICA, DON'T LEAVE MY SIDE, OKAY?
GET THEM!!
THEY'RE BEHIND US TOO?!

I HAVE TO FIND A WAY OUT.
?!
PACIFICA, BEHIND YOU!!
CRAP !!
THERE'RE JUST TOO MANY...


PACIFICA BEHIND YOU!!
?!
THERE'RE JUST TOO MANY
YOU ...?!

?!
YOU?!

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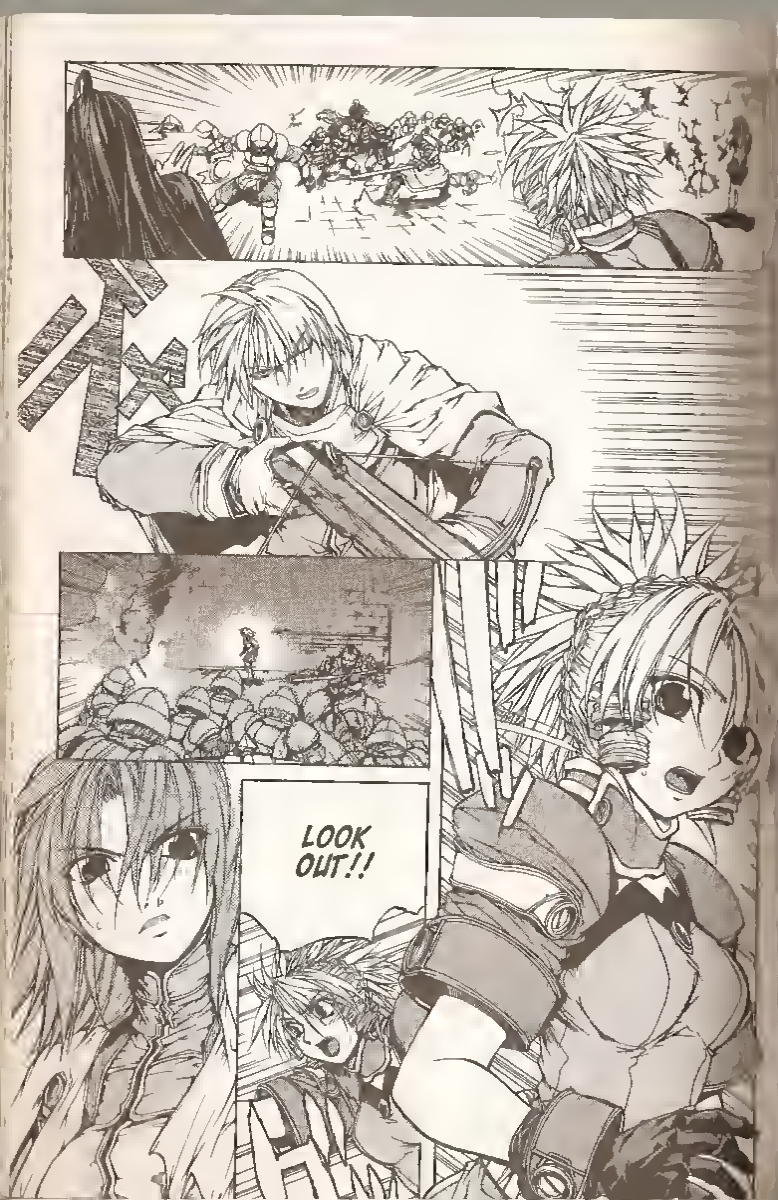
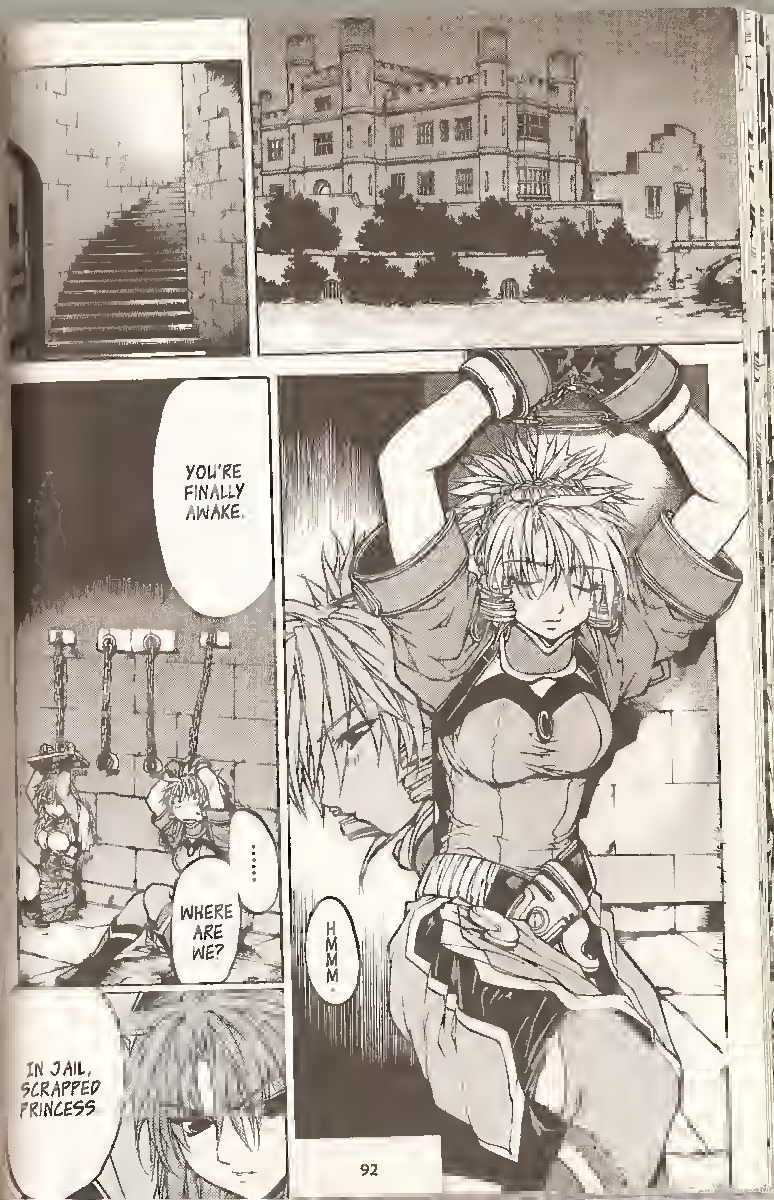

LOOK OUT!!

DAMMIT! BECAUSE OF THOSE TWO, MY PLANS TO DESTROY THE SCRAPPED PRINCESS ARE AT RISK!
BUT THE SOLDIERS OUTNUMBER THEM.
?!
TARSA.
SO THAT WOMAN REALLY IS—
HEY! GIVE ME YOUR BOW!!

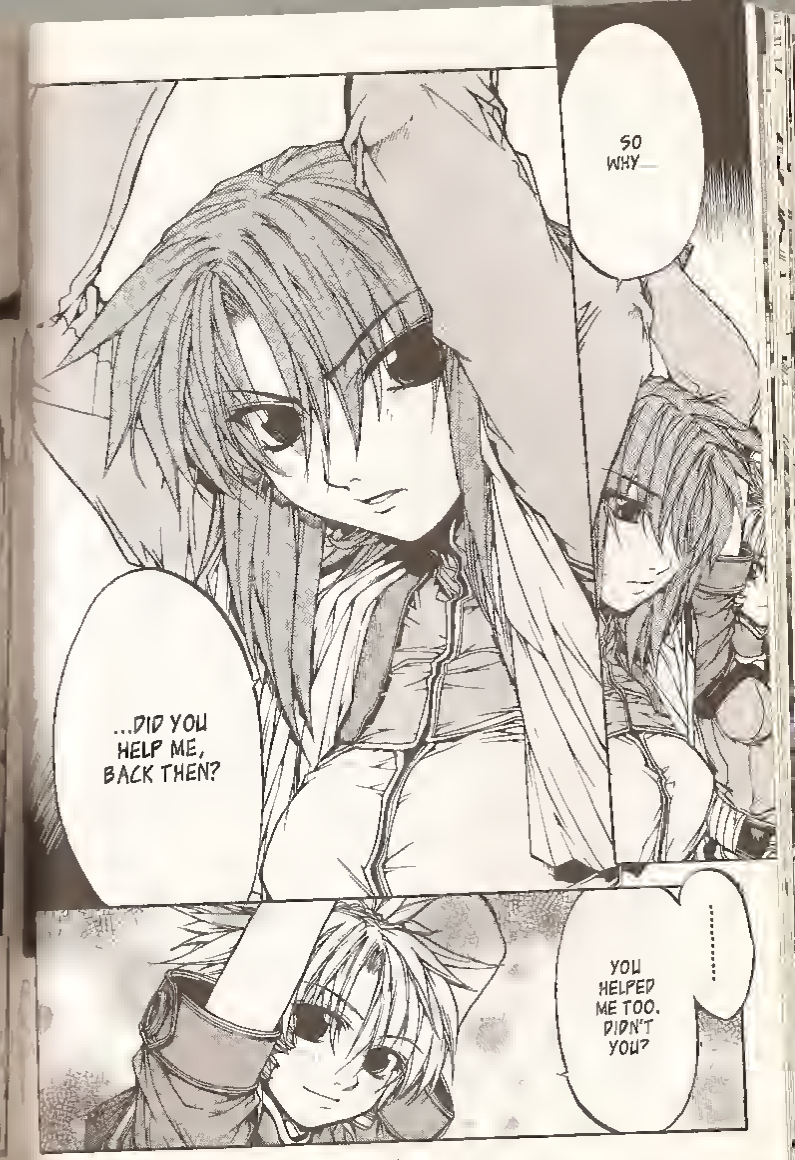
PACIFICA!!
?!
NOW! CAPTURE HER!!
PACIFICA?!
?!

HEY, DON'T MOVE!!
LET GO! SHANNON-NII!!!
PACI-FICA!
UH
STOP STRUG-GLING!!
SHA--
SHANNON-NII!!
HA HA HA! GOOD WORK!! YOU TOOK DOWN ONE OF THE GUARDIANS!!
KILL THE OTHERS! BUT DON'T KILL THE SCRAPPED PRINCESS OR TARSA!!
SHANNON-NII!!

HUH?
WE'VE BEEN CAPTURED BY THE FEUDAL LORD
HUUGH
.....
AARGH
IF THEY CAME OFF THAT EASILY ..
...I WOULD HAVE TAKEN MINE OFF AND KILLED YOU LONG AGO!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
WELL, IF WE CAN'T GET THEM OFF, WE CAN'T ESCAPE
WHAT IS THIS?!!
HOW DO I GET THESE OFF?

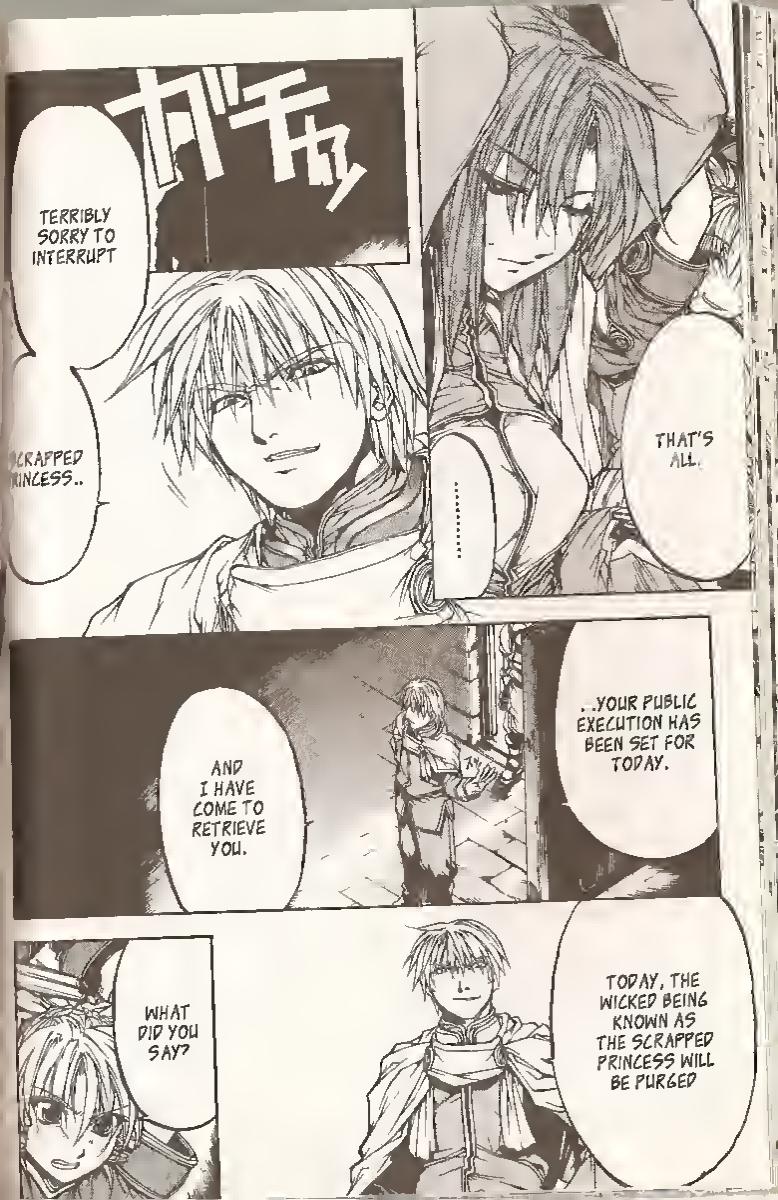

YOU'RE FINALLY AWAKE.
.....
WHERE ARE WE?
IN JAIL, SCRAPPED PRINCESS
HMMM.

.....
I REALLY DON'T LIKE BEING CALLED THAT!
HMPH!
PACIFICA CASULL. HOW'S THAT?
YOU DO KNOW MY NAME
I'D NEVER FORGET THE NAME OF SOMEONE I SHOULD HATE.
BESIDES, I'M GOING TO KILL YOU.
.....
HA HA HA HA...
WHAT ON EARTH IS SHE THINKING?
SHEESH
SAY, SCRAPPED PRINCESS...


SO WHY—
...DID YOU HELP ME, BACK THEN?
YOU HELPED ME TOO. DIDN'T YOU?
.....

THAT'S BECAUSE I DIDN'T WANT THAT FELLOW LORD TO GET TO YOU BEFORE I DID!!
I...
...I WOULD HATE IT...
...FOR MORE PEOPLE TO SUFFER BECAUSE OF THEIR CONNECTION TO ME.
...ANY MORE PEOPLE TO DIE.
I DON'T WANT...

I'LL SHOW YOU THE HIDDEN POWERS OF THIS SWEET, DELICATE, SUPER GIRL!!!
GO AHEAD AND TRY!
I'LL PUNCH YOU RIGHT IN THE FACE!!
SILENCE!!
THERE WILL BE ONE MORE PUBLIC EXECUTION. THAT OF THE ONE WHO HAS AIDED THE SCRAPPED PRINCESS-- TARSA.
HEH HEH HEH. SUCH A FITTING DEATH FOR YOU, TARSA.
THIS IS FOR THE SAKE OF OUR OLD FRIENDSHIP. YOU SHOULD BE GRATEFUL.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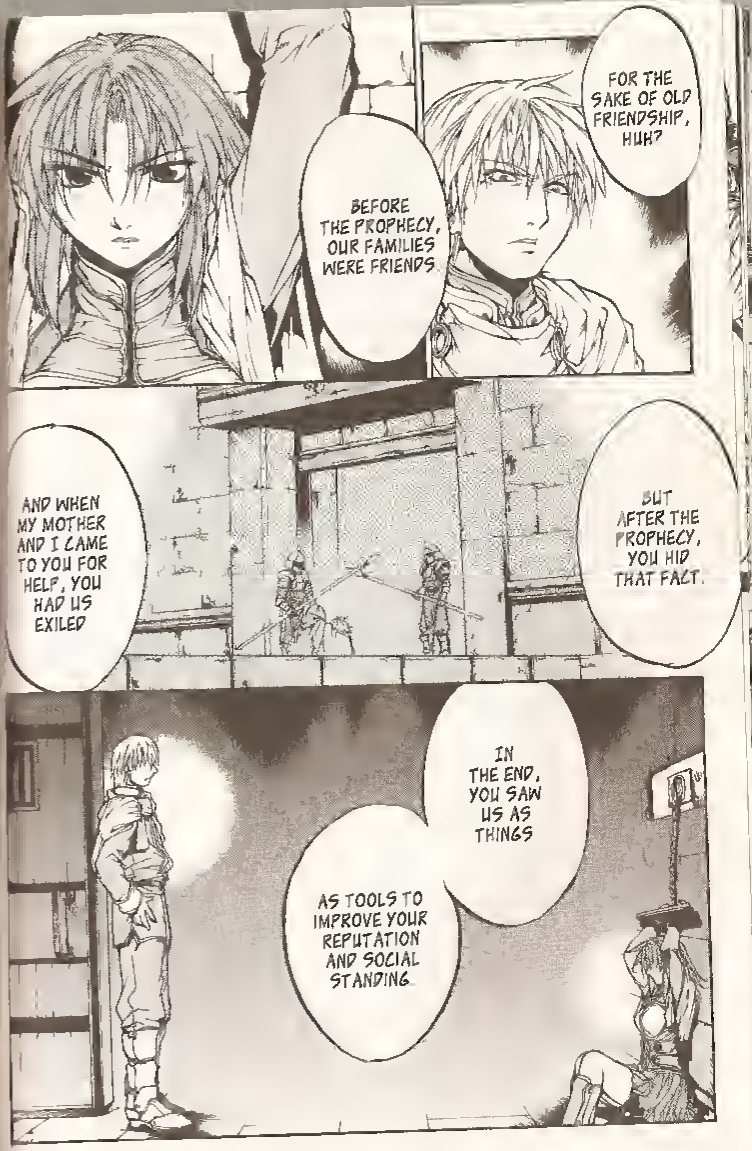
TERRIBLY SORRY TO INTERRUPT
SCRAPPED PRINCESS..
THAT'S ALL.
..YOUR PUBLIC EXECUTION HAS BEEN SET FOR TODAY.
AND I HAVE COME TO RETRIEVE YOU.
WHAT DID YOU SAY?
TODAY, THE WICKED BEING KNOWN AS THE SCRAPPED PRINCESS WILL BE PURGED

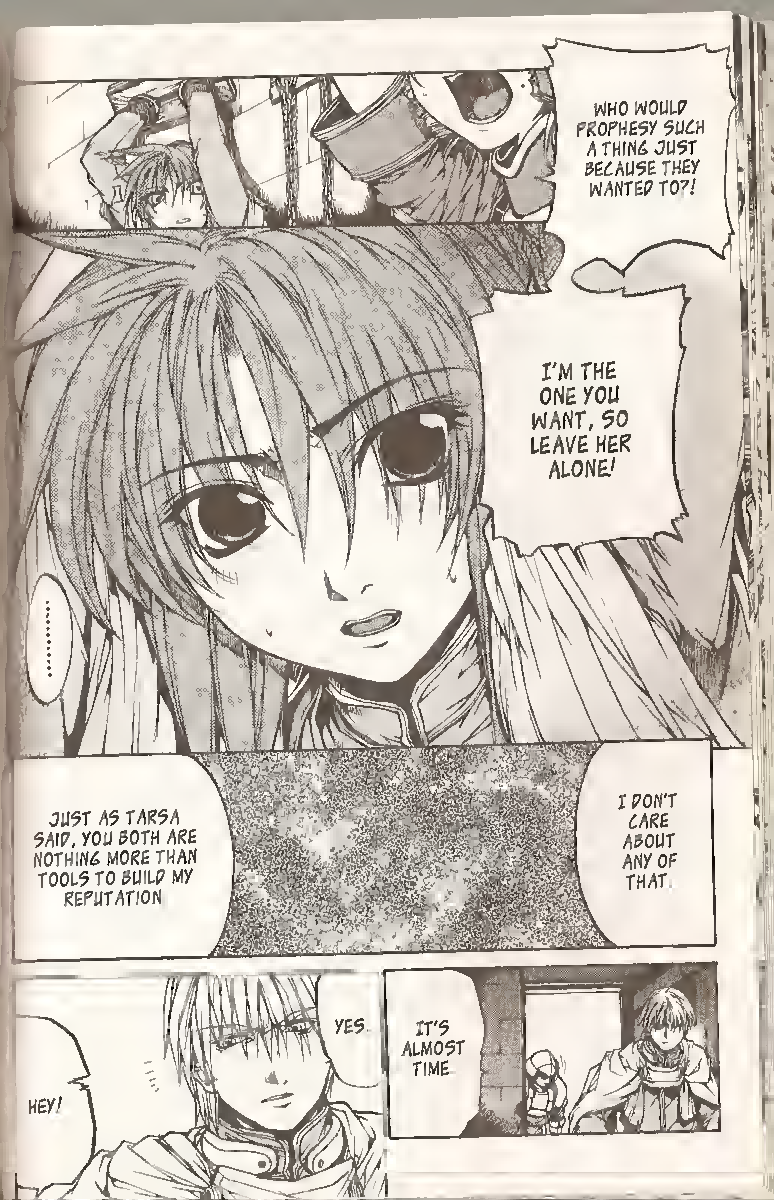

FOR THE SAKE OF OLD FRIENDSHIP, HUH?
BEFORE THE PROPHECY, OUR FAMILIES WERE FRIENDS.
AND WHEN MY MOTHER AND I CAME TO YOU FOR HELP, YOU HAD US EXILED
BUT AFTER THE PROPHECY, YOU HID THAT FACT.
IN THE END, YOU SAW US AS THINGS
AS TOOLS TO IMPROVE YOUR REPUTATION AND SOCIAL STANDING.

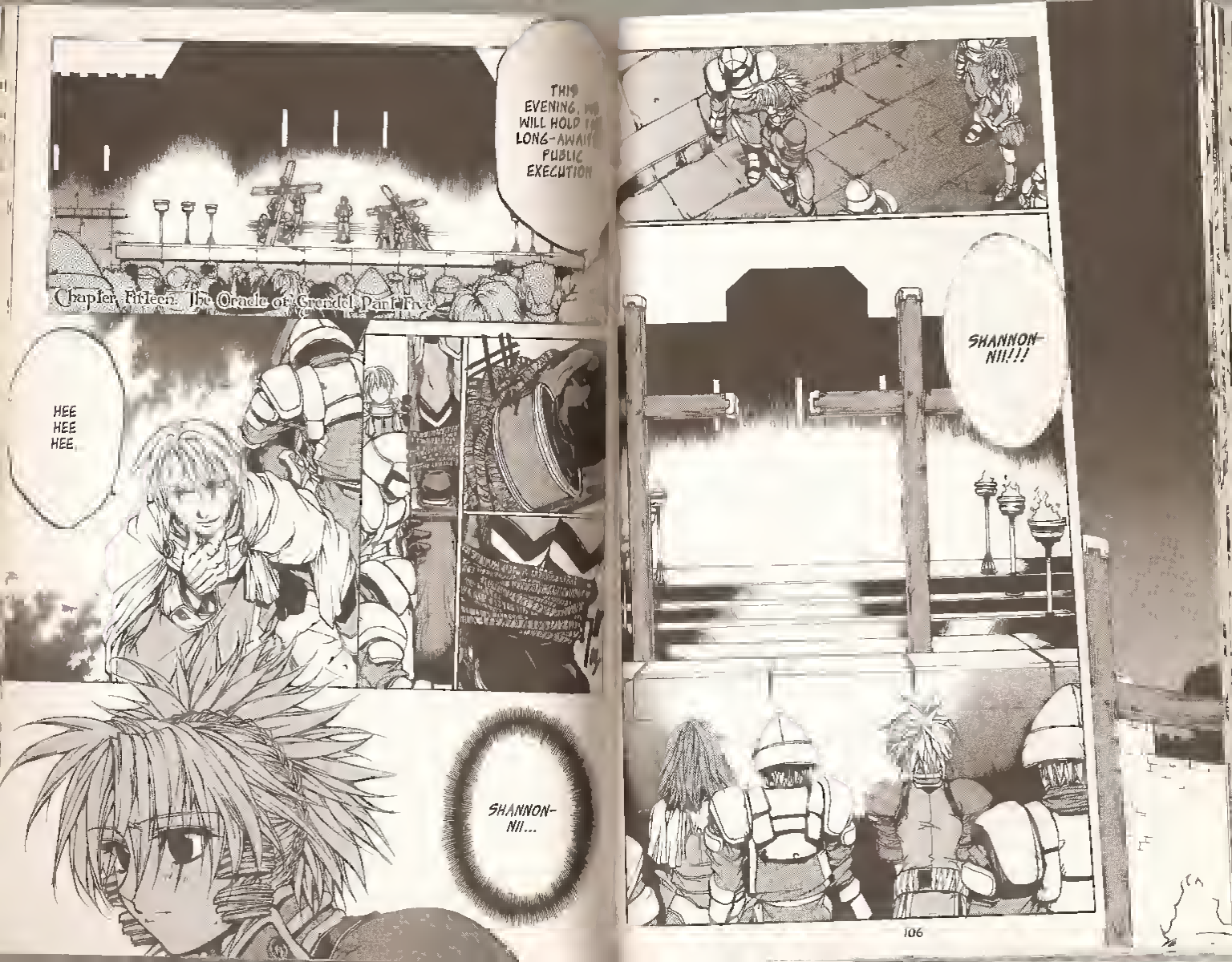
IF RAGING BULL HADN'T SAID ANYTHING TO ME BACK THEN...
..I MIGHT HAVE THOUGHT THE SAME WAY AS THIS MAN.
EXCUSE ME!

LOOK, YOU!
ABSOLUTE PROPHECIES. AMONG THEM, THE WORST OF THE WORST IS THE ORACLE OF THE SCRAPPED PRINCESS.
STOP SAYING SUCH SELFISH THINGS! DON'T YOU CARE THE TINIEST BIT ABOUT PEOPLE'S PAIN?!
HOW CAN I TREAT THE DAUGHTER OF THE ONE WHO MADE SUCH A PROPHECY AS A NORMAL PERSON?

YOU DO SOME PRETTY TERRIBLE THINGS!!
EVEN IF THEY DID HAVE SOMETHING TO DO WITH THE PROPHECY, THOSE WERE HER PARENTS, RIGHT?
SHE HERSELF HAD NOTHING TO DO WITH IT!!
WHY DO YOU HOLD THAT AGAINST HER?!
YOU DON'T KNOW?

WE'RE SEARCHING FOR YOUR SISTER AND TARSA'S BODYGUARD IT'S ONLY A MATTER OF TIME
WHAT'S HAPPENED TO SHANNON-NII AND RAQUEL-NEE?
YOU'RE LYING! SHANNON-NII CAN'T BE DEAD!!
...HIS BODY HASN'T SURFACED, BUT HE'S PROBABLY DEAD.
HMM! YOU CAN BELIEVE WHATEVER YOU WANT
YOU'RE STILL WORRIED ABOUT OTHERS AT A TIME LIKE THIS?


WHO WOULD PROPHESY SUCH A THING JUST BECAUSE THEY WANTED TO?!
I'M THE ONE YOU WANT, SO LEAVE HER ALONE!
.....
JUST AS TARSA SAID, YOU BOTH ARE NOTHING MORE THAN TOOLS TO BUILD MY REPUTATION
I DON'T CARE ABOUT ANY OF THAT.
HEY!
YES.
IT'S ALMOST TIME.


THIS EVENING, WE WILL HOLD THE LONG-AWAITED PUBLIC EXECUTION
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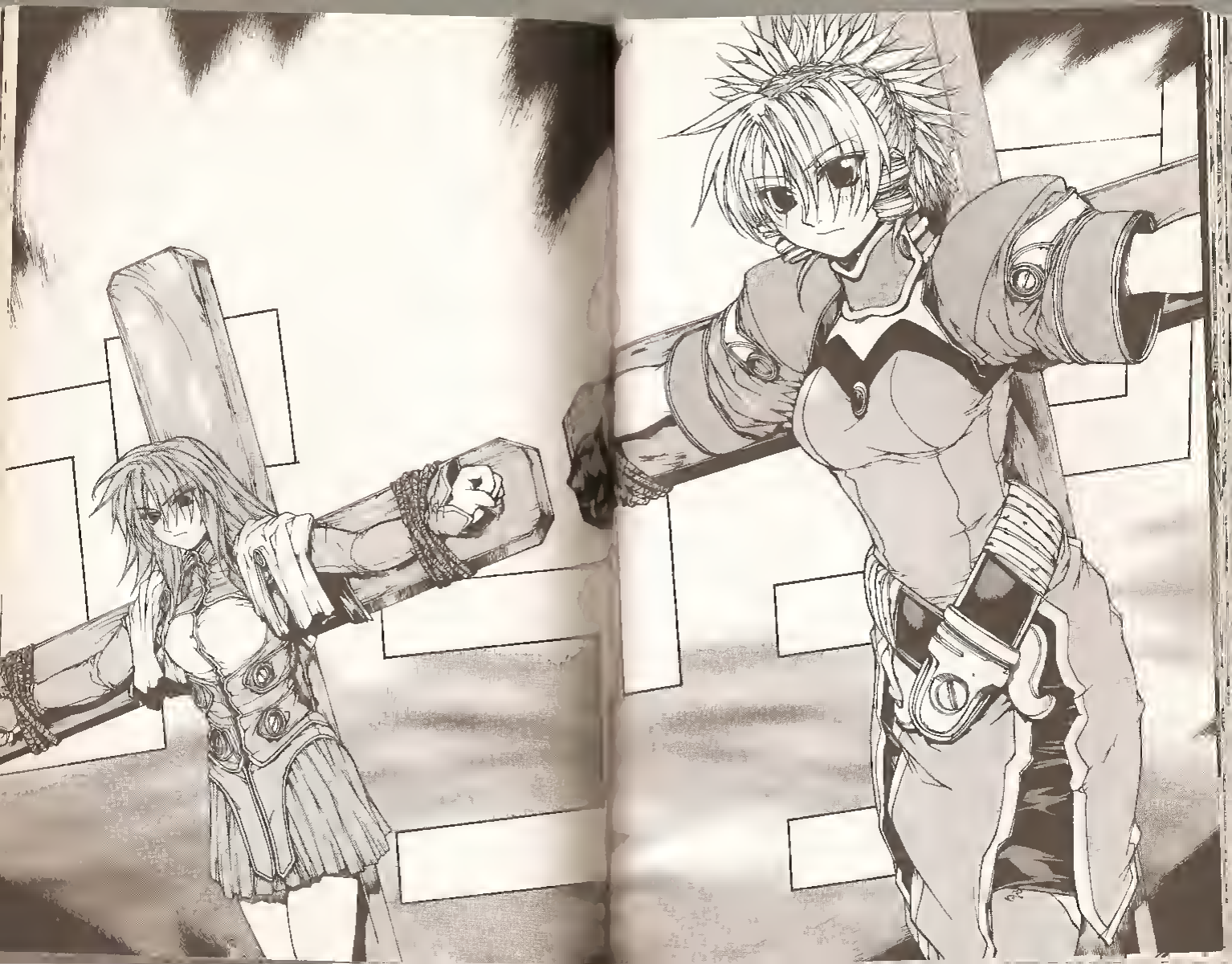
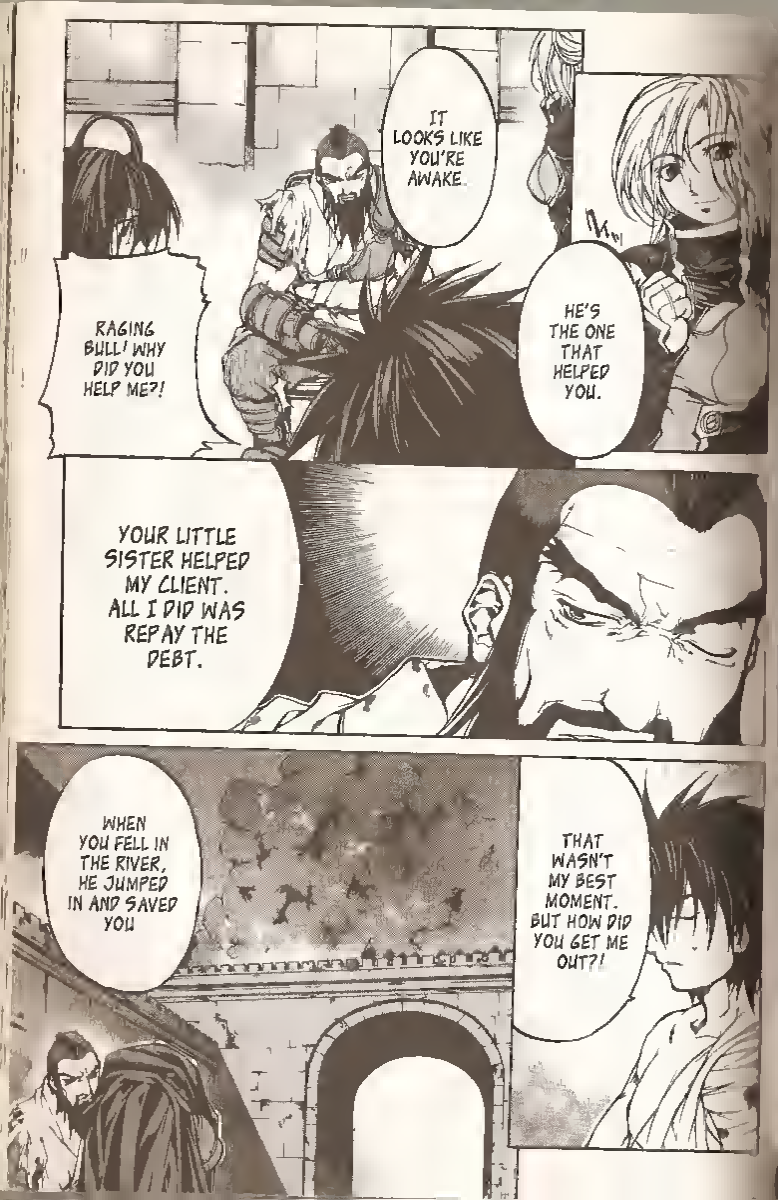
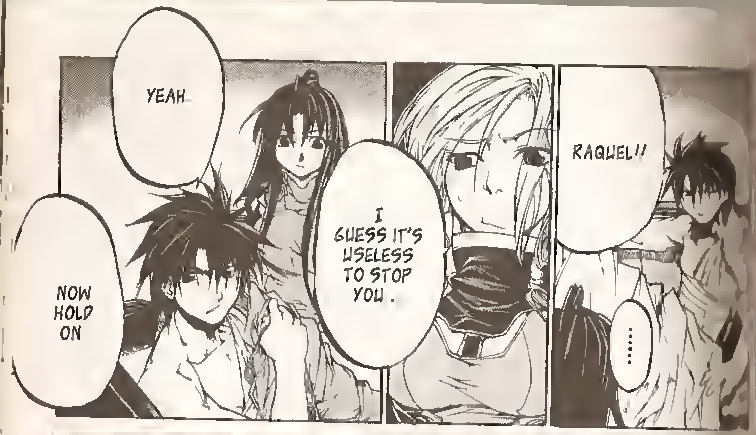
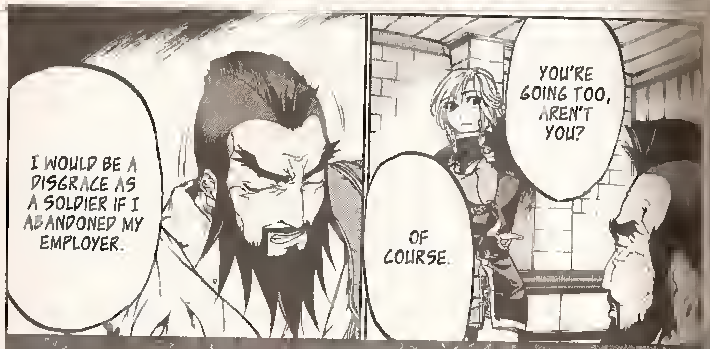
HEE HEE HEE
SHANNON-NII...
SHANNON-NII!!!

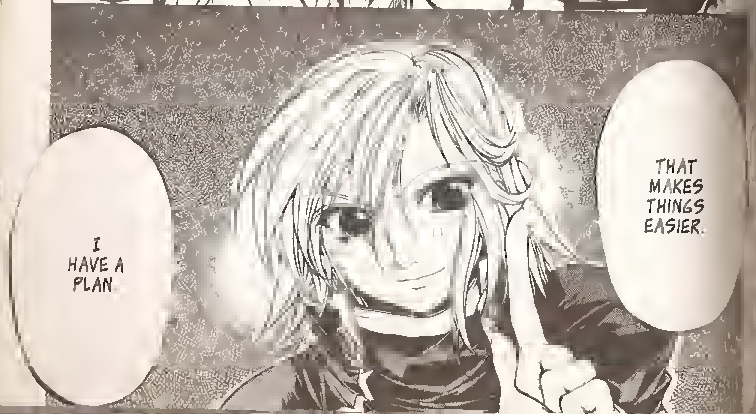



IT LOOKS LIKE YOU'RE AWAKE.
HE'S THE ONE THAT HELPED YOU.
RAGING BULL! WHY DID YOU HELP ME?!
YOUR LITTLE SISTER HELPED MY CLIENT. ALL I DID WAS REPAY THE DEBT.
WHEN YOU FELL IN THE RIVER, HE JUMPED IN AND SAVED YOU
THAT WASN'T MY BEST MOMENT. BUT HOW DID YOU GET ME OUT?!

I'M BACK.
I SEE YOU'RE AWAKE.
SHAN-NON...
UH!
AAAHH! YOU MUSTN'T MOVE.
SHE'S RIGHT. YOU SHOULD RELAX.
YOU...
YOU HELPED US?


YEAH.
I GUESS IT'S USELESS TO STOP YOU.
RAQUEL!!
NOW HOLD ON


I WOULD BE A DISGRACE AS A SOLDIER IF I ABANDONED MY EMPLOYER.
OF COURSE.
YOU'RE GOING TOO, AREN'T YOU?


I HAVE A PLAN.
THAT MAKES THINGS EASIER.

HERE'S CIFICA?!
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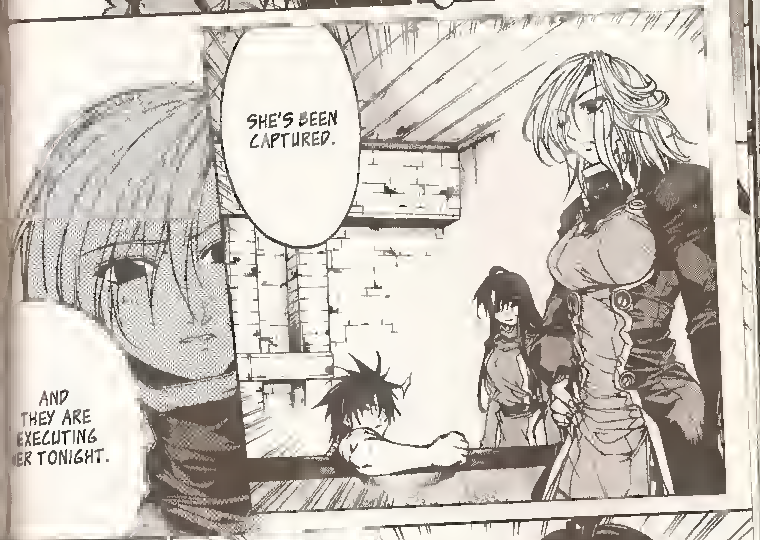
SHE'S BEEN CAPTURED.
AND THEY ARE EXECUTING ER TONIGHT.

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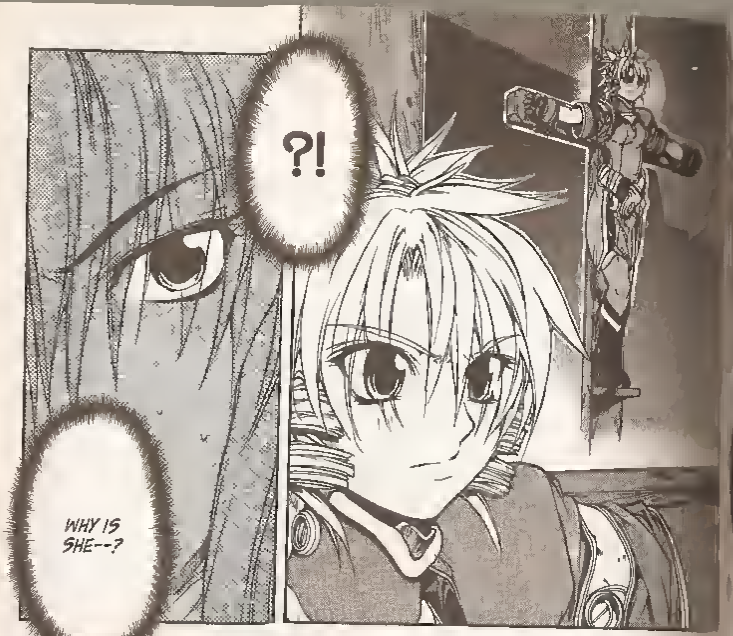
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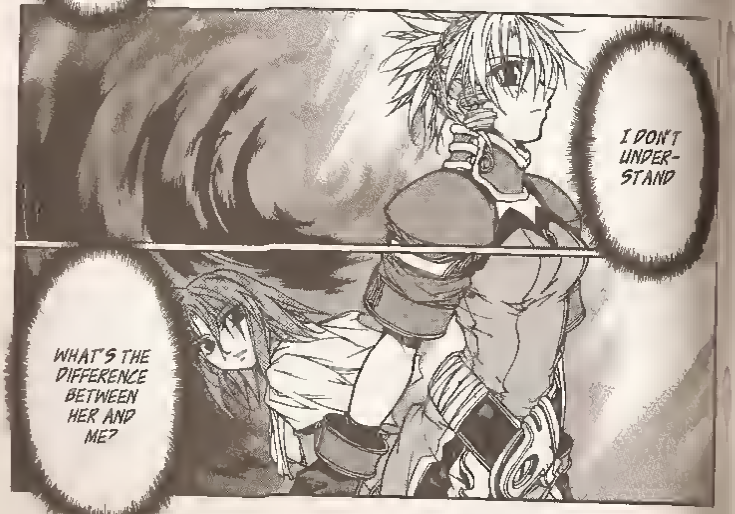
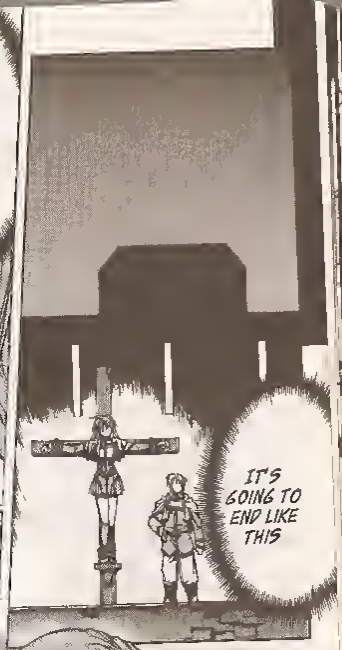
WHY IS SHE--?


I DON'T UNDER-STAND
WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN HER AND ME?

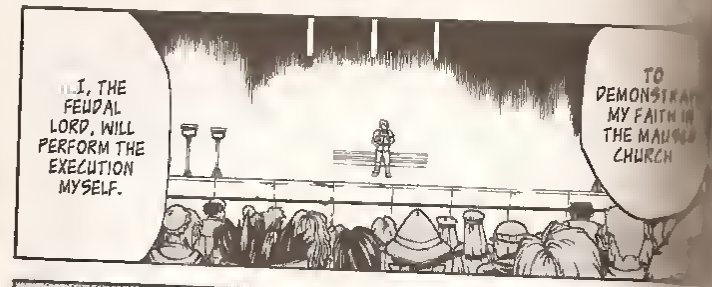
I COULDN'T ACCOMPLISH ANYTHING. I COULDN'T CHANGE ANYTHING.
AND THE PERSON I SHOULD HAVE KILLED...

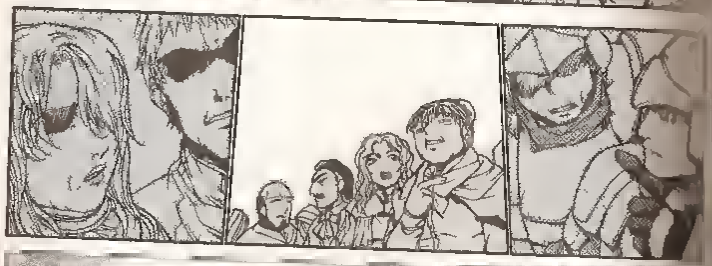

IT'S GOING TO END LIKE THIS

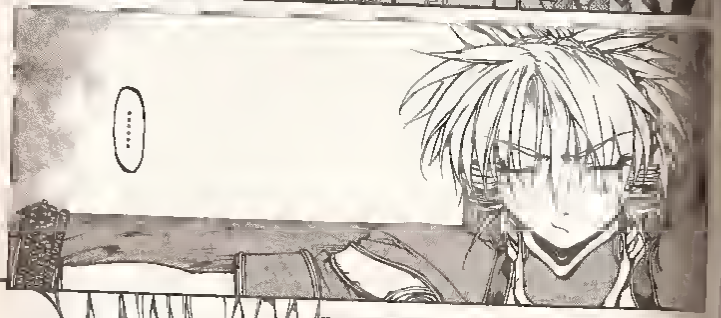
WAS TAKEN BY THAT GUY.

IF I LOOK LIKE I'M CALM
...I GUESS IT'S BECAUSE I'VE GOTTEN USED TO PEOPLE WANTING TO KILL ME.
OR.
...I'M THINKING THAT I ABSOLUTELY CAN'T DIE. ONE OR THE OTHER.

EH?
HEY!
I'M SURPRISED YOU'RE SO CALM.
WE'RE GOING TO BE EXECUTED SOON.
DO I LOOK LIKE I'M NOT SCARED?
.....?
YOU'RE NOT SCARED?
WELL, I AM SCARED!


I, THE FEUDAL LORD, WILL PERFORM THE EXECUTION MYSELF.
TO DEMONSTRATE MY FAITH IN THE MAUSER CHURCH

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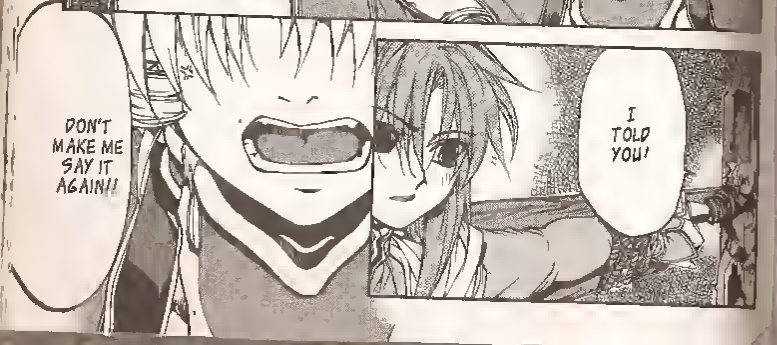
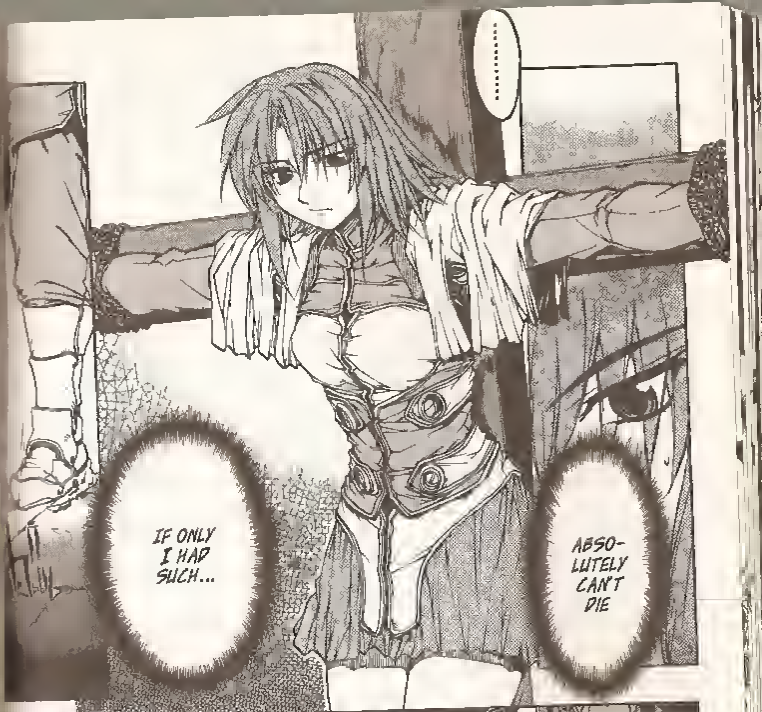

DON'T MAKE ME SAY IT AGAIN!!
I TOLD YOU!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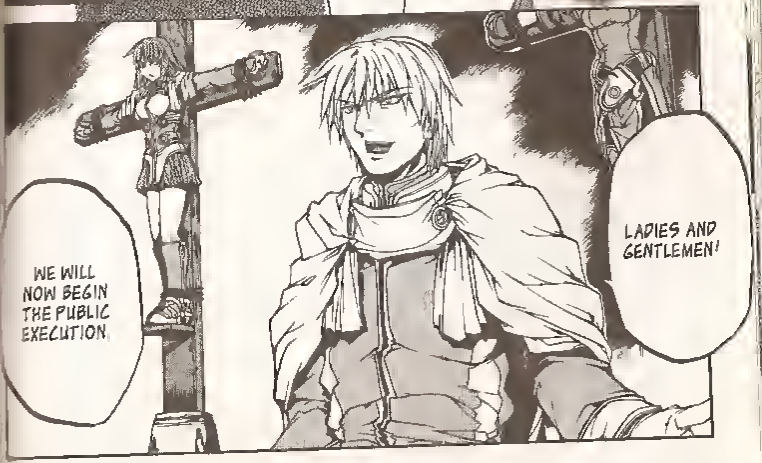
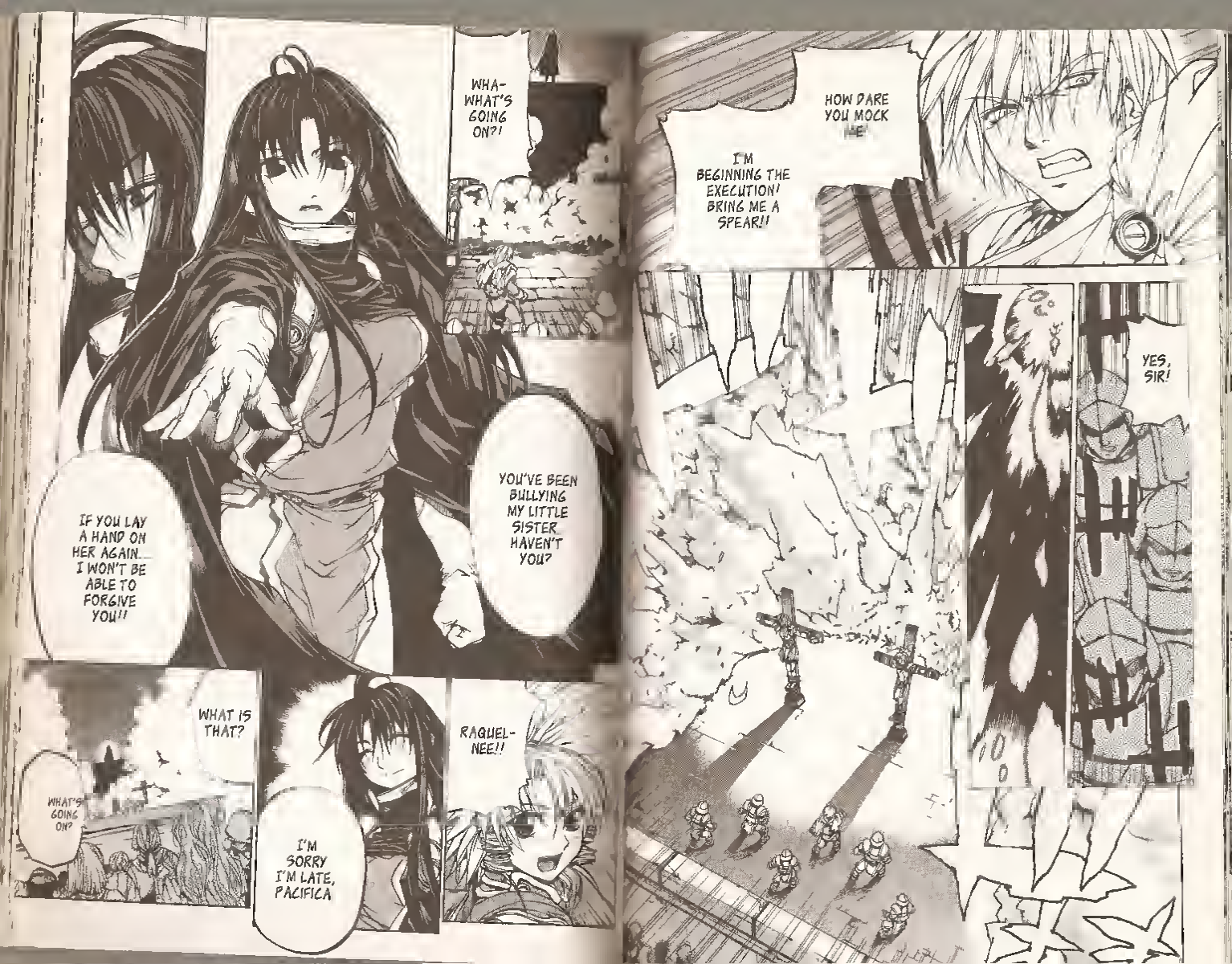
IF ONLY I HAD SUCH...
ABSO-LUTELY CAN'T DIE

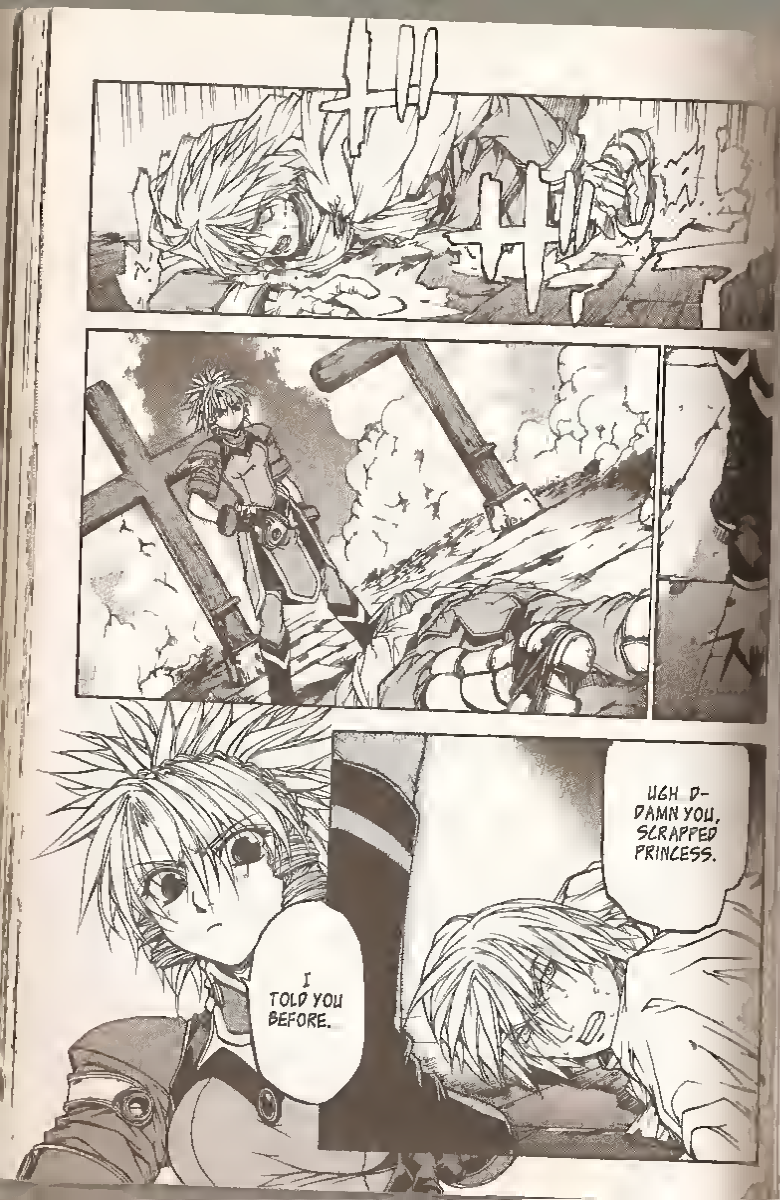

WE WILL NOW BEGIN THE PUBLIC EXECUTION.
LADIES AND GENTLEMEN!

?!
AARGH!
AND YOU'RE NOT ONE OF THEM!
YOU NARCISSISTIC PSYCHO!!
WHA--!
THERE ARE ONLY TWO PEOPLE IN THE WORLD.
...WHO ARE ALLOWED TO KILL ME.


WHA- WHAT'S GOING ON?!
YOU'VE BEEN BULLYING MY LITTLE SISTER HAVEN'T YOU?
IF YOU LAY A HAND ON HER AGAIN... I WON'T BE ABLE TO FORGIVE YOU!!
WHAT IS THAT?
WHAT'S GOING ON?
I'M SORRY I'M LATE, PACIFICA
RAQUEL- NEE!!
HOW DARE YOU MOCK ME!
I'M BEGINNING THE EXECUTION! BRING ME A SPEAR!!
YES, SIR!

LOOK, YOU... WHAT GOOD WILL IT DO TO MAKE THEM ANGRY?
HUH?
AH! SHANNON-NII!
YEAH...
WHAT TOOK YOU SO LONG?
STOP! WHAT ARE YOU DOING? I'M INJURED!!
AH... SHANNON-NII, WHAT ABOUT YOUR INJURIES?
IT'S A LITTLE LATE TO WORRY NOW

IF WE DON'T GET AWAY, IT'LL GET US TOO!!
A-ATTACK MAGIC!!
WE'LL BE KILLED!!
RUN!!
WAAHH!
ALL OF YOU! STOP!!
THEN KILL HER!!
I-IT'S NO USE. WE'LL GET SWEPT UP IN THE CROWD.
THE SCRAPPED PRINCESS! HAVE THE SOLDIERS SEIZE HER!!
SHANNON-NII!!

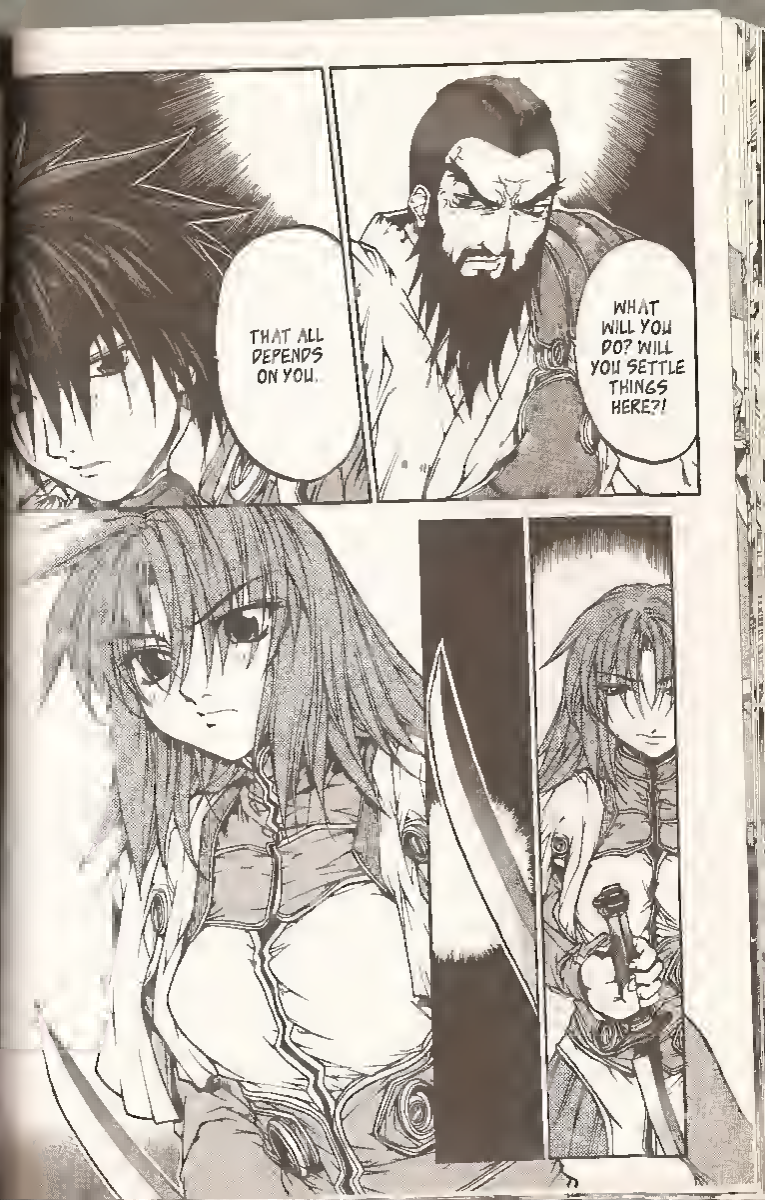

UGH. D-DAMN YOU, SCRAPPED PRINCESS.
I TOLD YOU BEFORE.

LORD THAT BURNS THE HEAVENS, CLAD IN PALE LIGHTNING...
ROARING ONE...
MASTER OF THE RAGING THUNDER!!
COME FORTH, SUUPII-KUN!!
ELECTRIFY THEM!
GO!
WHAT ARE THESE THINGS?!!
WAAAAHH!

THEY PROBABLY WON'T BE ABLE TO MOVE FOR A WHILE.
NO
THEY'VE JUST FAINTED FROM SHOCK
ARE THEY DEAD?
I SEE...

THE ONLY ONES ALLOWED TO KILL ME...ARE SHANNON-NII AND RAQUEL-NEE!!

I THINK THAT I ABSOLUTELY CAN'T DIE
THE REASON SHE CAN'T DIE...
THE ONLY ONE ALLOWED TO KILL ME AR SHANNON AND RAGUN NEE!
...IS HER PREPARED-NESS TO BE KILLED.
IT'S ALL FOCUSED ON HER.
ASIDE FROM KILLING HER, WHAT'S LEFT FOR ME?


WHAT WILL YOU DO? WILL YOU SETTLE THINGS HERE?!
THAT ALL DEPENDS ON YOU.

Chapter Sixteen: The Oracle of Grendel Part Six

I HAVE LIVED FOR THIS DAY, SO THAT I COULD KILL YOU
YOU ARE THE CAUSE OF MY FATHER'S DEATH. IT IS BECAUSE OF YOU THAT THINGS HAVE TURNED OUT LIKE THIS.
.....
IF I HADN'T BEEN BORN, YOUR FAMILY WOULDN'T HAVE SUFFERED
HOW CAN YOU ACCEPT IT SO CALMLY?!!

HOW CAN YOU SAY SUCH THINGS?!
AS IF YOU KNOW WHA I'VE BEEN THROUGH!
I UNDERSTAND! I KNOW HOW YOU FEEL!!
HOW COULD YOU POSSIBLY UNDERSTAND?!!

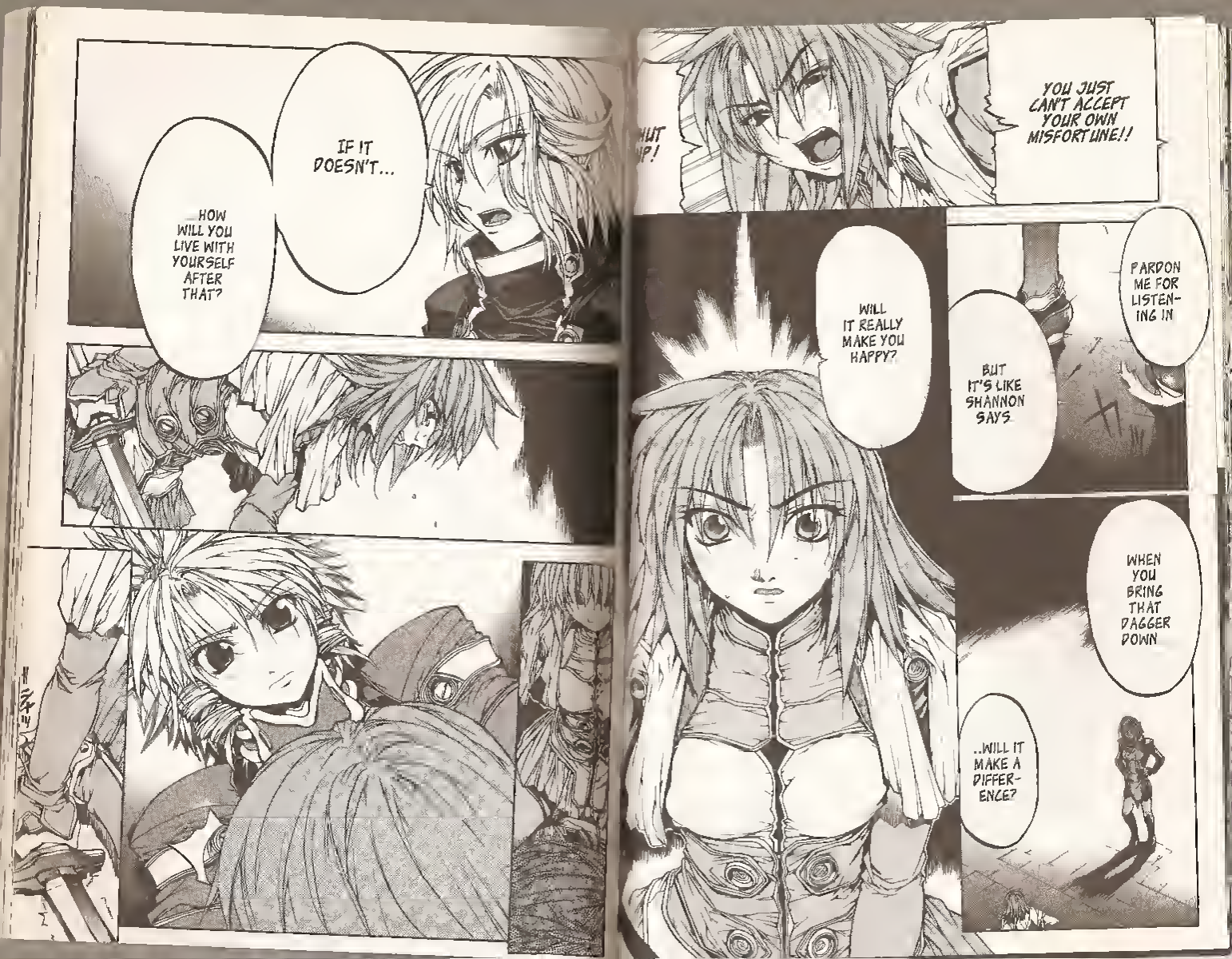
I WON'T LET YOU!
WALL, OB-STRUCT.
PEOPLE OF FLAME, DANCE!
RAQUEL, HELP PACIFICA!!
HUFF
HUFF
HE'S STRONG. HE'S A TOUGH MATCH EVEN WHEN I'M PAIRED WITH RAQUEL.

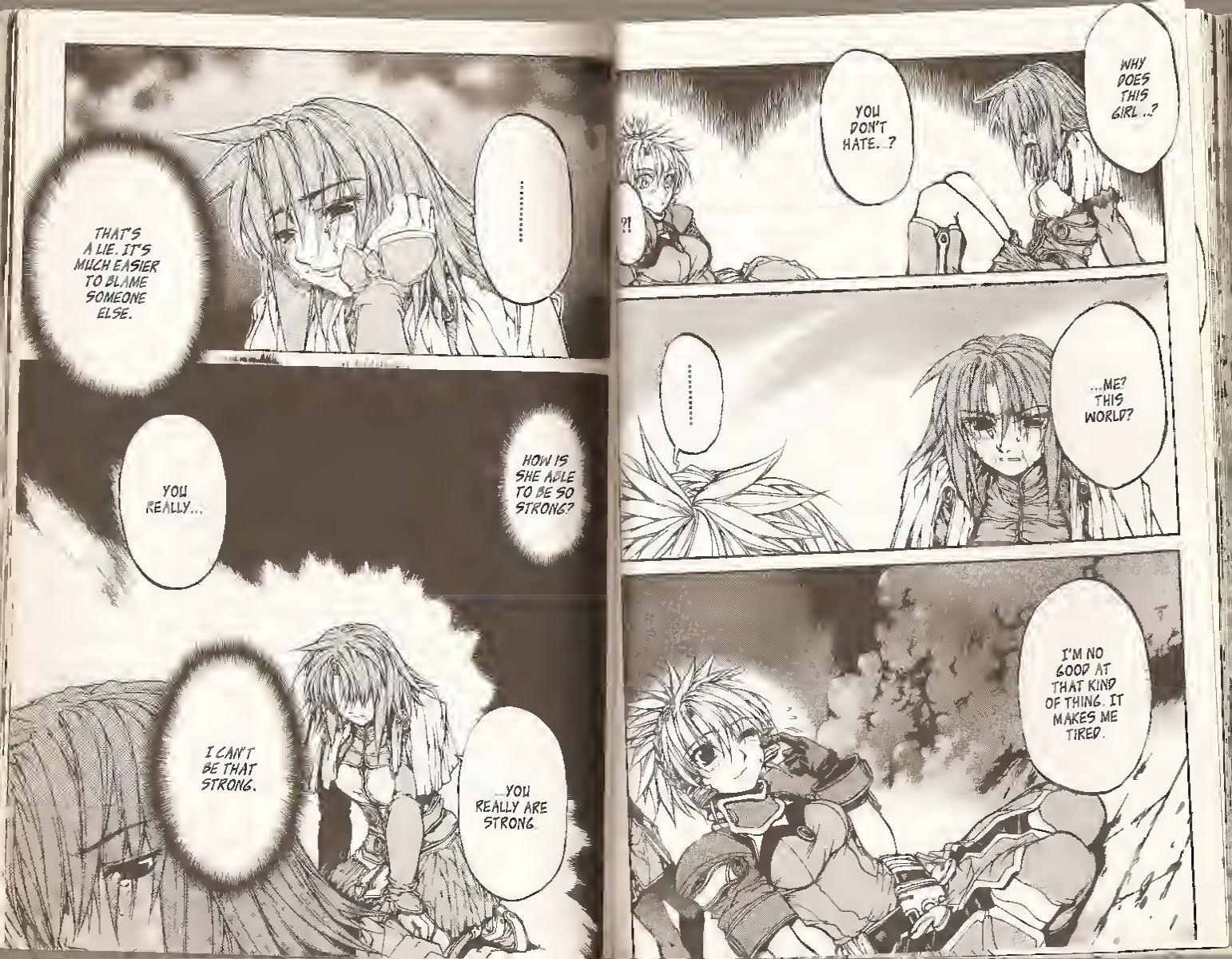
PACIFICA!!
?!
UUH!

BE QUIET!!
I...
I KNOW I'M THE CAUSE OF A LOT OF UNHAPPI-NESS.
AND THAT IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN A SIN TO BE BORN.
BUT EVEN SO
...EVEN SO--I CAN'T DIE!!

I DO UNDER-STAND.
I DO UNDER-STAND...
..HAVING ONE'S EXISTENCE CURSED.
HAVING THE WHOLE WORLD AGAINST YOU.
SHUT UP!!
HAVING YOUR DESTINY DECIDED BY AN ORACLE.
I-I'M THE SAME AS YOU.

YOU CAN SAY THOSE THINGS BECAUSE YOU HAVE A FAMILY!
I DON'T HAVE ANY FAMILY ANYMORE!!
CUT THE CRAP!!
YOU!
YOU'RE JUST BLAMING ALL YOUR PROBLEMS AND UNHAPPINESS ON PACIFICA!
SHANNON-NII AND RAQUEL-NEE GAVE UP EVERYTHING TO PROTECT ME.
I.. HAVE A FAMILY THAT CARES FOR ME.
THAT'S WHY I CAN'T AFFORD TO DIE!!


IF IT DOESN'T...
...HOW WILL YOU LIVE WITH YOURSELF AFTER THAT?
YOU JUST CAN'T ACCEPT YOUR OWN MISFORTUNE!!
HUT P!
WILL IT REALLY MAKE YOU HAPPY?
PARDON ME FOR LISTEN-ING IN
BUT IT'S LIKE SHANNON SAYS
WHEN YOU BRING THAT DAGGER DOWN
..WILL IT MAKE A DIFFER-ENCE?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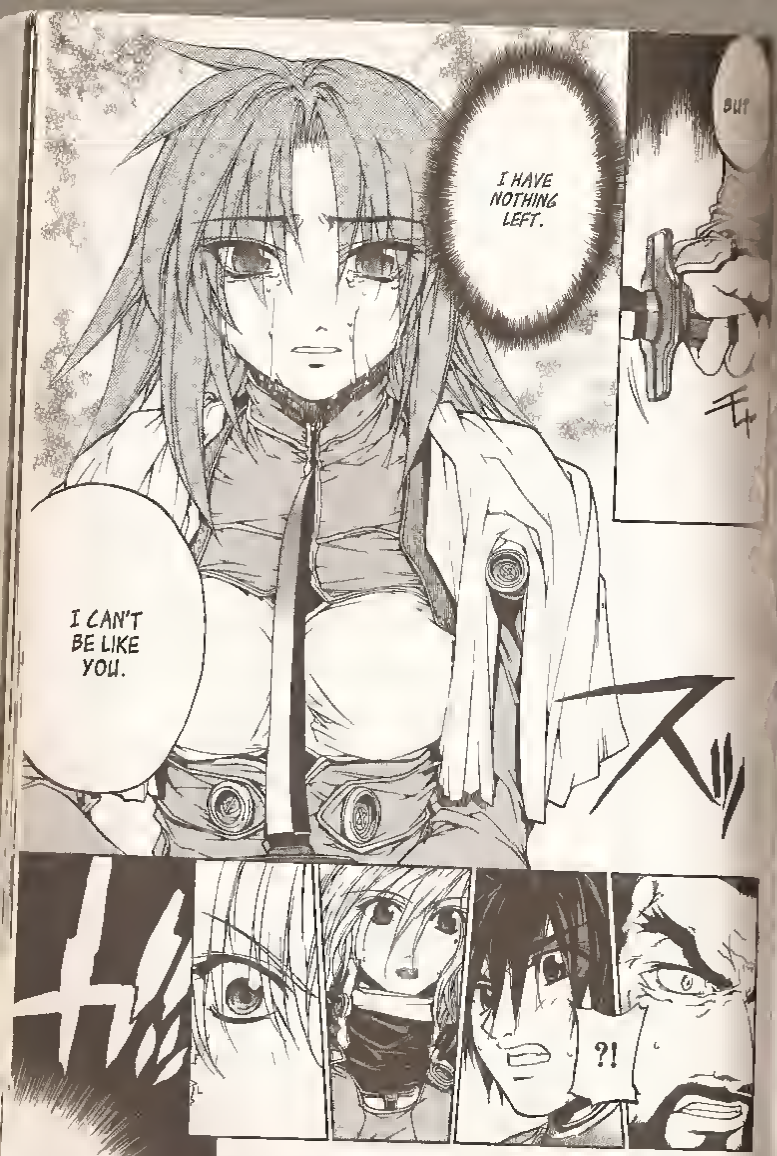
THAT'S A LIE. IT'S MUCH EASIER TO BLAME SOMEONE ELSE.
YOU REALLY...
HOW IS SHE ABLE TO BE SO STRONG?
I CAN'T BE THAT STRONG.
...YOU REALLY ARE STRONG.
?!
YOU DON'T HATE..?
WHY DOES THIS GIRL ..?
.....
...ME? THIS WORLD?
I'M NO GOOD AT THAT KIND OF THING. IT MAKES ME TIRED.


I'M WEAK I UNDER-STAND THAT MYSELF.
BUT I'M NOT ALONE.
I HAVE SHANNON-NII AND RAQUEL-NEE

I HAVE NOTHING LEFT.
BUT
I CAN'T BE LIKE YOU.
?!

IF YOU DIE, YOU'LL LOSE EVERY-THING.
IF YOU GIVE UP, THAT'S THE END.
PLEASE! I DON'T THINK YOU REALLY WANT TO DIE.

STUPID! WHY ARE YOU GIVING UP SO EASILY?!!
IF YOU DIE, IT'S ALL OVER!!
.....

...I HOPE I CAN SHOW YOU A DIFFERENT SIDE OF ME.
YEAH.
IT'S A PROMISE
WELL THEN... SEE YOU LATER.

WELL... WE'RE OFF.
YEAH
I'M SORRY FOR CAUSING YOU SO MUCH TROUBLE
IF WE EVER MEET AGAIN...
UH-HUH. I'M SORRY, TOO.

WITHOUT A DOUBT, TOMORROW YOU WILL BE STRONGER THAN YOU HAVE BEEN TODAY
THANKS
YOU'VE GOTTEN TO HAVE GOOD EYES.
HM.

?
SAY, RAGING BULL
I WONDER IF I CAN BE STRONG
コクリ
IT'S NOT LIKE EVERYONE START'S OUT STRONG
THOSE WHO DON'T KNOW THEIR OWN WEAKNESS CAN'T BECOME STRONG.
THAT'S EXACTLY WHY ..

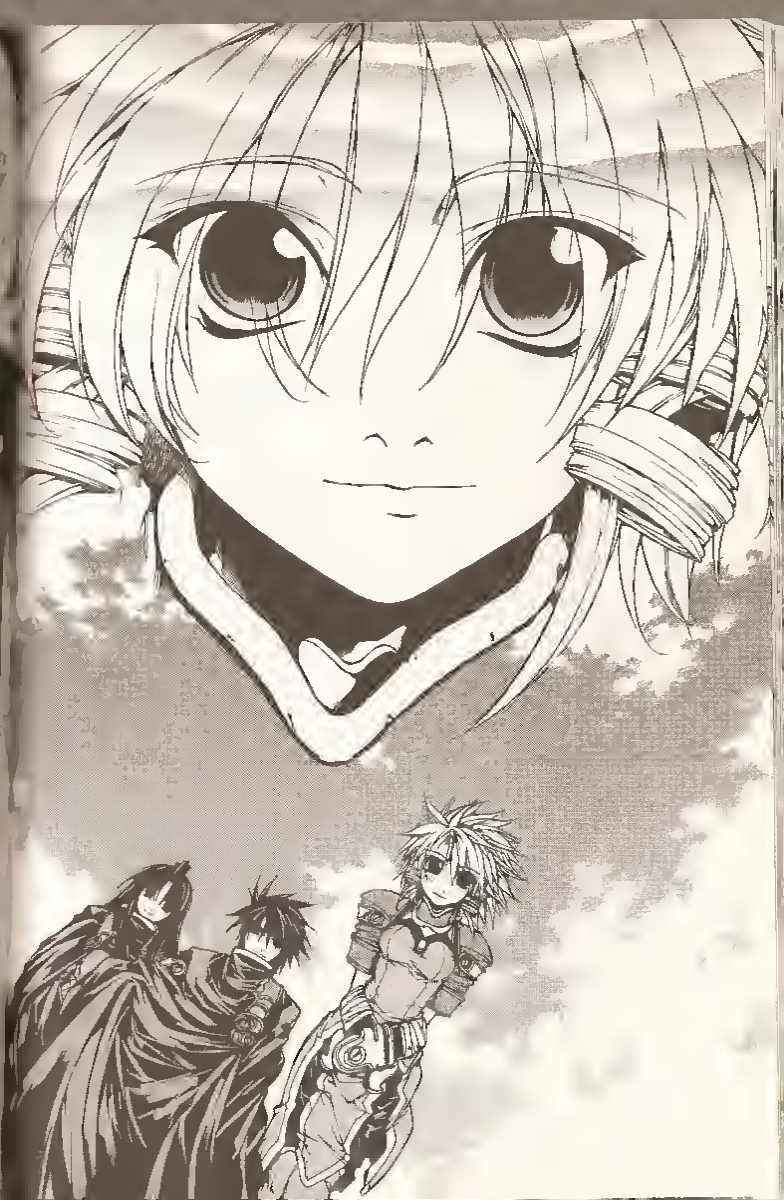
*In the past, the Oracle of Grendel has only been wrong twice

THERE ARE TIMES WHEN AFTER BEING TOLD, "YOU ARE THE SCRAPPY PRINCESS," WONDERED IF THAT WAS REAL THE TRUTH

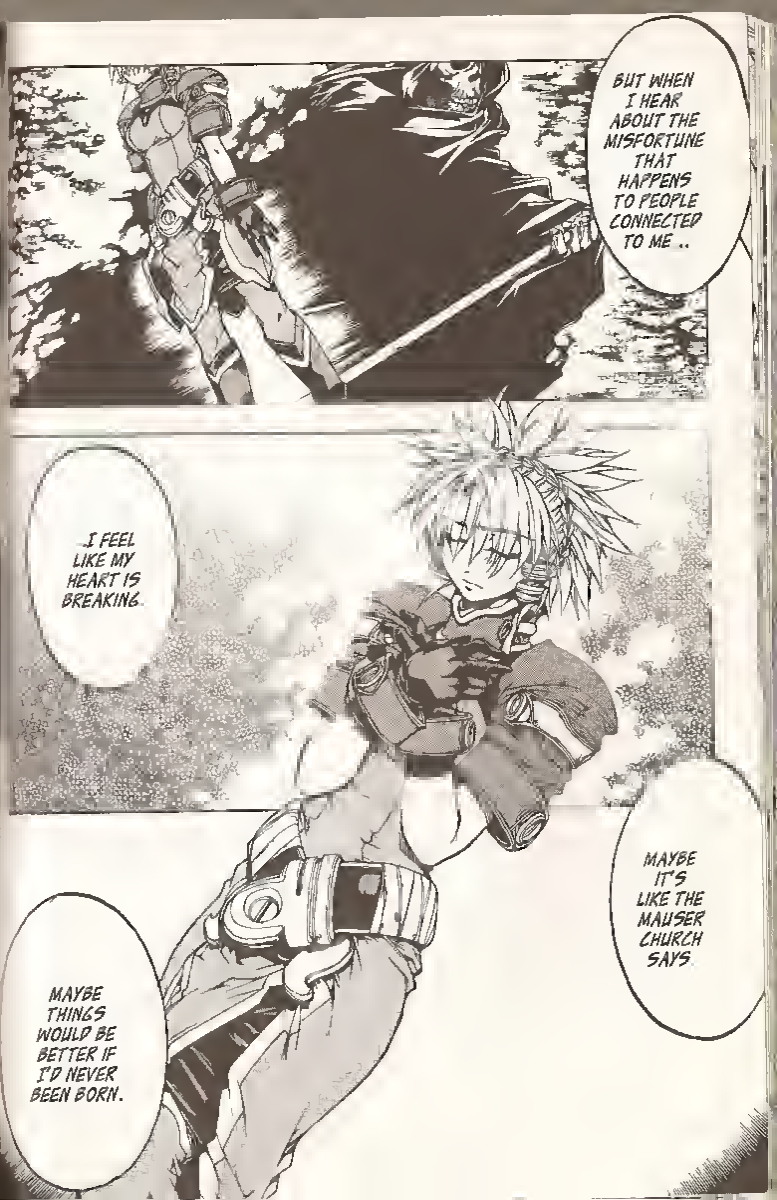
EPILOGUE

AND THERE ARE TIMES WHEN I WONDERED, AFTER BEING TOLD I SHOULD BE HATED, IF THAT WAS TRUE TOO..

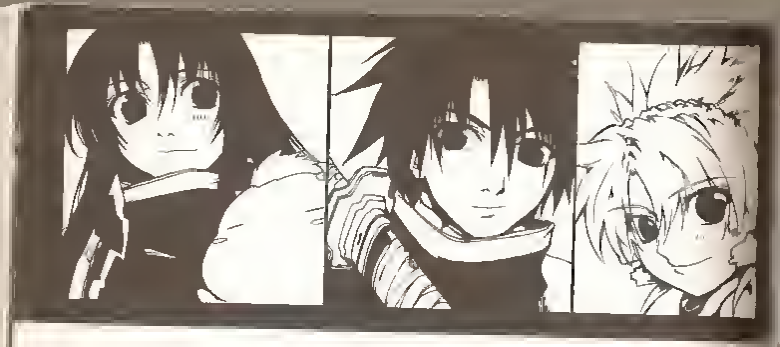
TO BE HONEST...I DON'T BELIEVE ANY OF IT.



IT MIGHT BE EASIER THAT WAY.
THEN NO ONE WOULD BE UNHAPPY ANYMORE.
...WILL PROTECT YOU!
WE.
BUT...
.. THERE ARE PEOPLE...
WHO BELIEVE IN ME ENOUGH TO RISK THEIR OWN LIVES


BUT WHEN I HEAR ABOUT THE MISFORTUNE THAT HAPPENS TO PEOPLE CONNECTED TO ME ..
I FEEL LIKE MY HEART IS BREAKING.
MAYBE IT'S LIKE THE MAUSER CHURCH SAYS.
MAYBE THINGS WOULD BE BETTER IF I'D NEVER BEEN BORN.

PEOPLE WHO SAW THE REAL ME.
SHANNON-NII, RAQUEL-NEE...
...AND SO MANY PEOPLE WE'VE MET IN OUR TRAVELS.
THAT'S WHY I THINK I'LL JUST BE ME.



To those of you I've never met, pleased to meet you! To those of you I have met, it's been a long time! This is Yabuki.

The manga version of "Scrapped Princess" has reached its third and final volume. It's been about a year and a half, I suppose.
Thanks to all of you readers that have been able to get this far.
The series has also ended without incident.
I truly thank you.
I truly have been able to learn many things from this series.

Also, using this page, I would like to express my apologies and my gratitude.
First, I apologize...
Now that the series is over, I have realized again how truly inadequate I am.
I want to be able to be more diligent in creating something that all of my readers can be more satisfied in.
And my gratitude.
I'm glad that I was able to work to the end with such a helpful and talented staff and my editor I-san.
And to the creator, Sakaki-sensei, thank you for giving me the opportunity to work on such a wonderful series, despite my inadequacies.
And finally, a big thank you to all of the readers...

I would be very happy if we could meet again in another series someday.

2003.12.16

I WANT TO BE PACIFICA CASULL.
ACCEPTING EVERYTHING, EVEN THAT I'M THE SCRAPPED PRINCESS
WE'VE ALMOST MADE IT TO TOWN.
HEY! YOU AWAKE?
WHAT?
I WILL NEVER GIVE UP ON LIVING.
LOOK, YOU DON'T BE SUCH A GLUTTON ALL THE TIME.
HOW RUDE! FIRST OF ALL, SHANNON-NII, YOU...
TOWN! THEY'LL HAVE EGGS, RIGHT, SHANNON-NII?!!
Scrapped Princess: End

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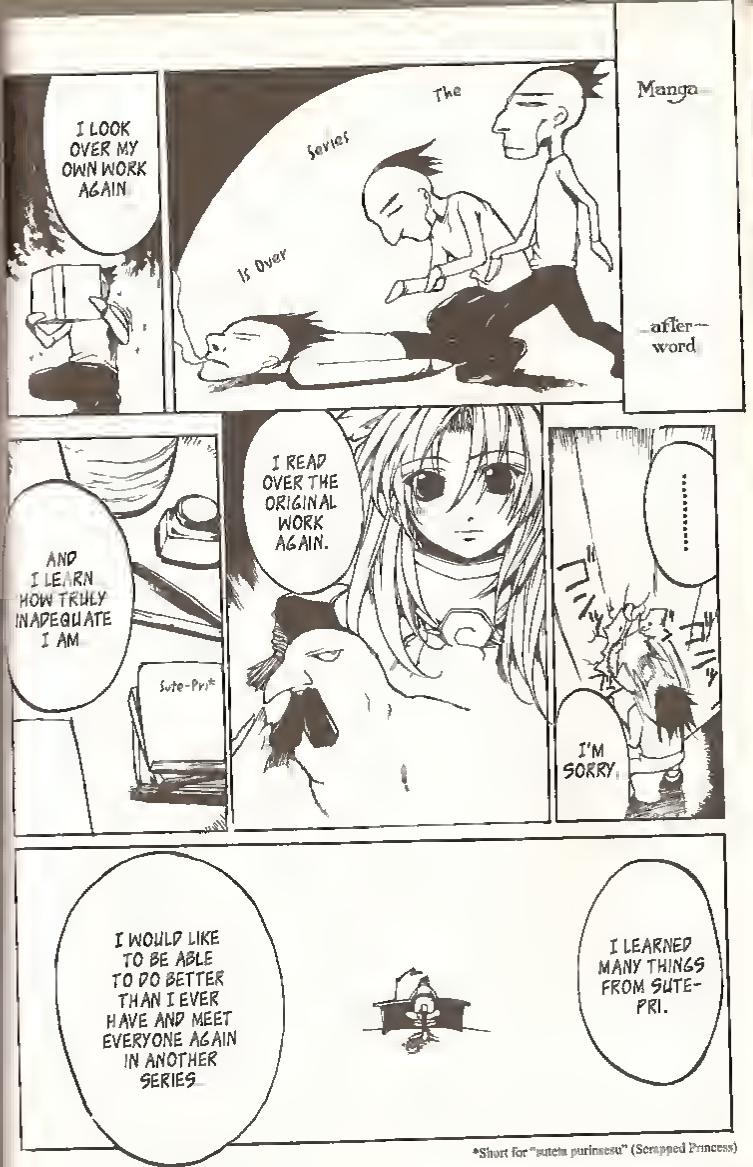
I LOOK OVER MY OWN WORK AGAIN
The Series Is Over
Manga afterword
AND I LEARN HOW TRULY INADEQUATE I AM
Sute-Pri*
I READ OVER THE ORIGINAL WORK AGAIN.
.....
I'M SORRY.
I WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO DO BETTER THAN I EVER HAVE AND MEET EVERYONE AGAIN IN ANOTHER SERIES
I LEARNED MANY THINGS FROM SUTE-PRI.

*Short for "sutetta purinsesu" (Scrapped Princess)